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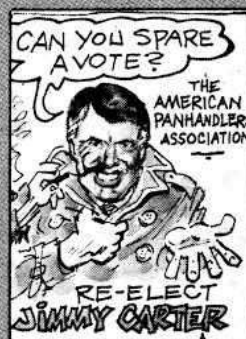
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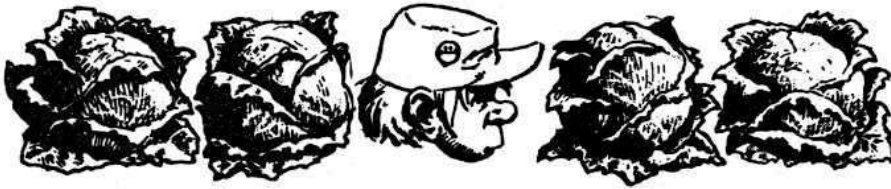


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AROUND THE CORNER.**



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DEAR CRACKED,

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Bob  
White Plains, NY

Dear Bob,

We think that's very patriotic, but demand you cut us in for half as a sort of "thank you" for running your letter. After all, we're patriotic (and greedy) too!



DEAR CRACKED,

How The Ads of Tomorrow Will Exploit The Energy Crisis was right on target. Already, companies are doing this, like the farm near me that sells carrots claiming them to be energy efficient because they were created in soil using solar energy! Where will it all end?

Eugene Hooper  
Le Mars, Iowa

Dear Eugene,

We don't know and condemn the practice. Only legitimate products, like CRACKED, should be allowed to advertise this way. With us, the more time you spend reading, the less time you'll spend driving around aimlessly wasting gas.

DEAR CRACKED,

Not only did I enjoy If Schools Patterned Themselves After TV, but I think the system should be instituted at once. One question though. If not enough people turned up at lunch when Spam Foo Young was served, does that mean it would get a low rating and then be cancelled?

Glen Poutinen  
Teme, Ariz.

Dear Glen,

You should be so lucky!

DEAR CRACKED,

I'm doing a report on American corporations and would like to know how BIG CRACKED is.

Rosalinda Hal  
Austin, Texas

Dear Rosalinda,

About 8½" x 11".

DEAR CRACKED,

Why don't you ever run any articles on Kenny Rodgers?

Ron Jensen,  
Houston, Texas

Dear Ron,

Why doesn't Kenny Rodgers ever sing songs about CRACKED?

DEAR CRACKED,

To put it in the words of my Tennessean ancestors, Movie Posters We'll Soon Be Seeing was funnier than a hog rolling round the mud in a rain slicker.

Lucas Pram  
Little Hawk, Tenn.

Dear Lucas,

Well, thank ya Cousin Lucas. You all's as kind as a hound dog havin a picnic on a horsefly's back — or some kind of southern compliment like that.



DEAR CRACKED,

If I sent you a sample of my homemade grape jam and you liked it, would you put in a plug for it?

Don Danner  
Poughkeepsie, NY

Dear Don,

No, but if you sent us your TV, we'd be happy to put in the plug for that!



CRACKED is trying to put confetti back together again!





DEAR CRACKED,

I hung up that Teacher's Strike poster in my homeroom, and everyone laughed and laughed — especially when the teacher gave me 10 minutes detention for doing it. Thanks a lot!

T. Beard, Jr.  
Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Dear T.

Don't mention it. We enjoy helping students use their after school hours in a constructive way.

DEAR CRACKED,

Can you please stop running articles with lengthy titles like How Madison Avenue Can Turn Anything Into A Great Selling Holiday Gift. After reading the title, my eyes are too tuckered to read any more.

Reza Acree  
San Francisco

Dear Reza,

If that's true, then take this word of advice from us — don't start War and Peace. The title's short, but the first chapter — whooh!



DEAR CRACKED,

I loved Star Trek The Movie and wish you would do something on it real quick.  
Steve Morgan  
Taos, N. Mexico

Dear Steve,

Then turn the page! (Is that quick enough for you?)

DEAR CRACKED,

Who's idea was it to have a whole CRACKED Lens centering around monsters?

Clyde Gentry  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Clyde,

Some 2-headed, 16' woman's who walked into our office requesting it.

DEAR CRACKED,

As the co-owner of a local figure salon, I can confirm that your CRACKED Look At A Health Spa was accurate. I've seen everyone of those individuals depicted in your funny centerspread.

Carol Dorning  
Urbana, Ill.

Dear Carol,

Even the little guy with the staple through his belly?

DEAR CRACKED,

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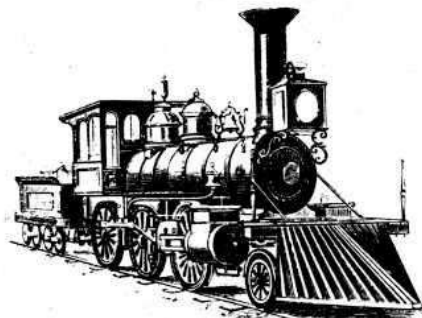
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Aberdon, MD

Dear Harvey,

We could, but it would be a whole lot easier if you'd allow us to TYPE it instead.

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Hoof ta.  
Hog toof.\*

Hoolago! \*\*

\*There's a huge mass  
coming towards us, Captain.

\*\*Quick! Arrange for **subtitles** so  
the audience can understand us and  
then fire torpedoes.



Hoof ta. Hog toof.\*

Hoolago! \*\*

\*Nothing's happening.

\*\*Excuse me sir, but is that a **lobster**  
on your forehead?



Hoof ta.  
Hog toof.\*

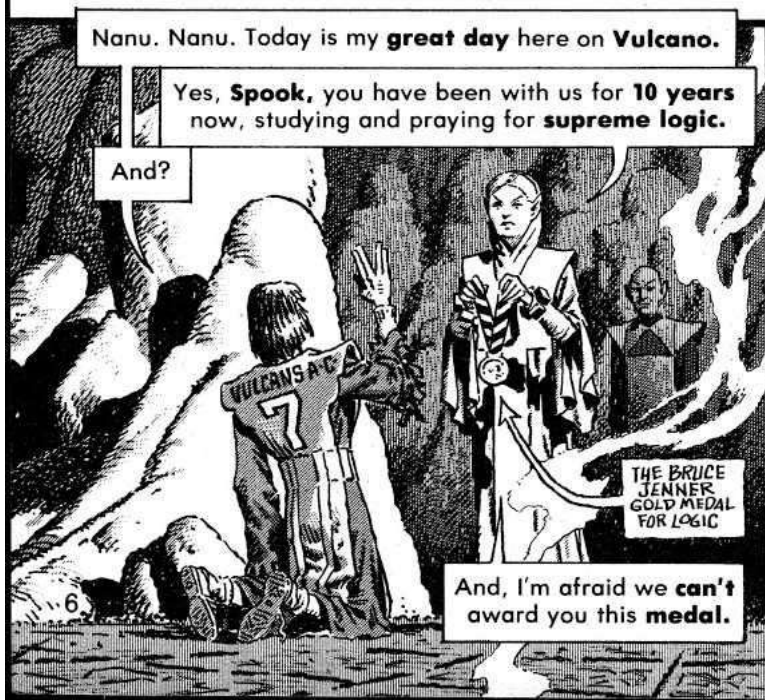
BRZZAP!

\*I knew my agent should have  
gotten me another part. Kingtos  
never last long in these stories.

Well, it's finally happened! After 10 years of reruns on television, Spock, Kirk and all the rest have finally decided to boldly go where they've never gone before — to the motion picture screen as, at last, a major studio's finally released

# STAR DREK

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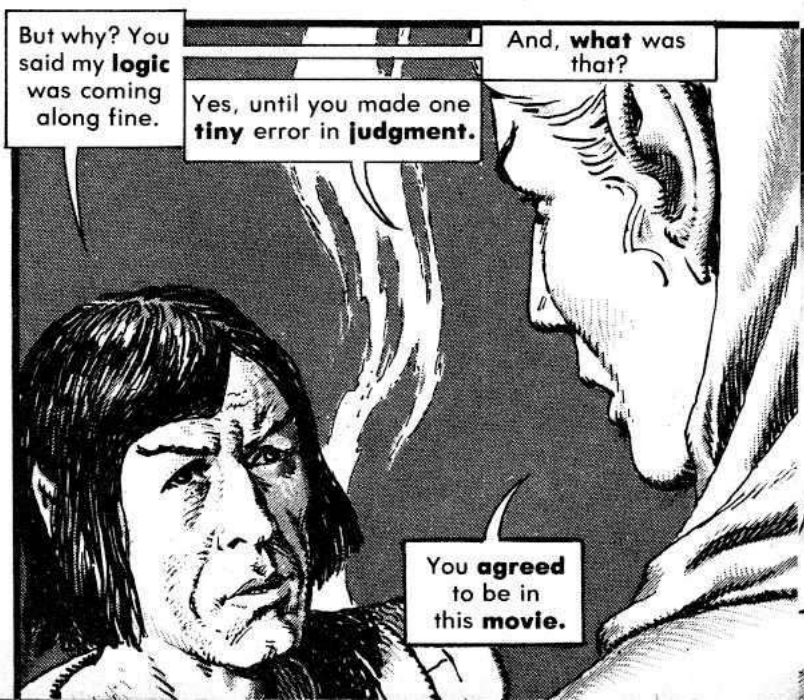
Nanu. Nanu. Today is my **great day** here on **Vulcano**.

Yes, **Spook**, you have been with us for **10 years**  
now, studying and praying for **supreme logic**.

And?

THE BRUCE  
JENNER  
GOLD MEDAL  
FOR LOGIC

And, I'm afraid we **can't**  
award you this **medal**.



But why? You  
said my **logic**  
was coming  
along fine.

And, **what** was  
that?

Yes, until you made one  
**tiny error** in **judgment**.

You **agreed**  
to be in  
this **movie**.



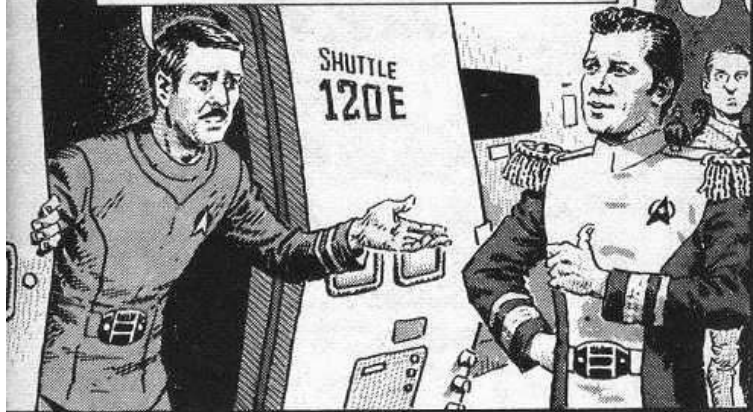
Capt. Quirk! It's you.

Yes, **Scutti** and it's **Admiral** now. The **United Federation of Plants** has given me permission to **command** the **Enterprising** again. There's a huge **force** heading towards earth.

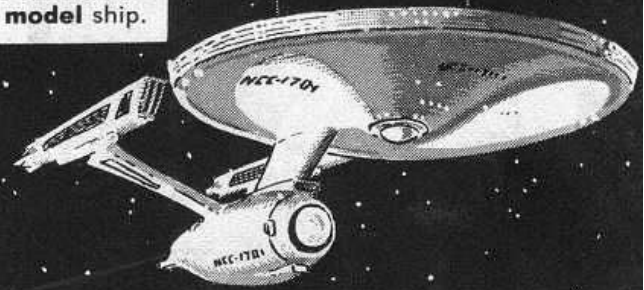
A force?

Yes, Scutti. It's my contention that it got **loose** from an old **Star Wars** movie.

Well, in that case, I'll be a-taking you **out** to the **ship** at once. They've been **redoing** her, laddie.



My! She's beautiful.  
Truly a **model** ship.



So, you can see  
the **wires** too, sir?



Zulu! Mr. Chicklet! Uhuh!

Admiral Quirk!?! What are  
**you** doing here?

Same as all you other **has-beens**. Trying to **revitalize**  
my career.

But sir, we **have** a command-  
er already — **Mr. Deckedout**.

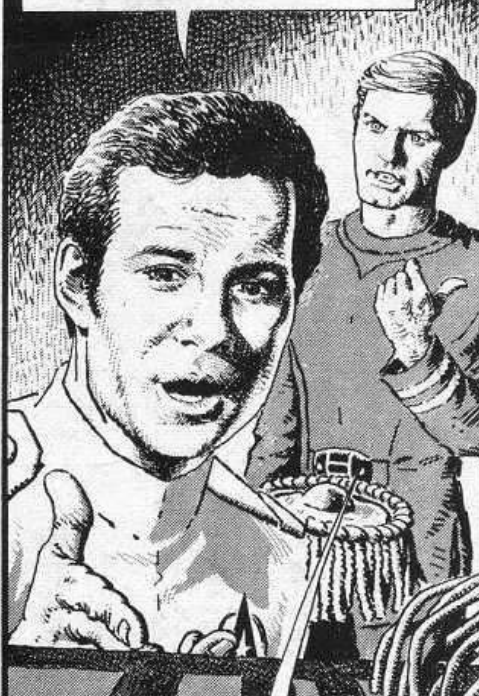
Well, like 2 **Anacins** rushing through  
the **bloodstream** towards a  
headache, I'm **relieving** him.



Oh, are  
you now.

Admiral, this ship's been totally  
**redesigned**, and I now know her  
better than anyone.

Piffle. After **78 episodes** on T.V.,  
I remember something. See. I  
just got a **weather readout**  
from this **computer**.



Oh yeah! What you just did was  
**play 2 games of Space Invaders**.  
**That's** the computer over there.

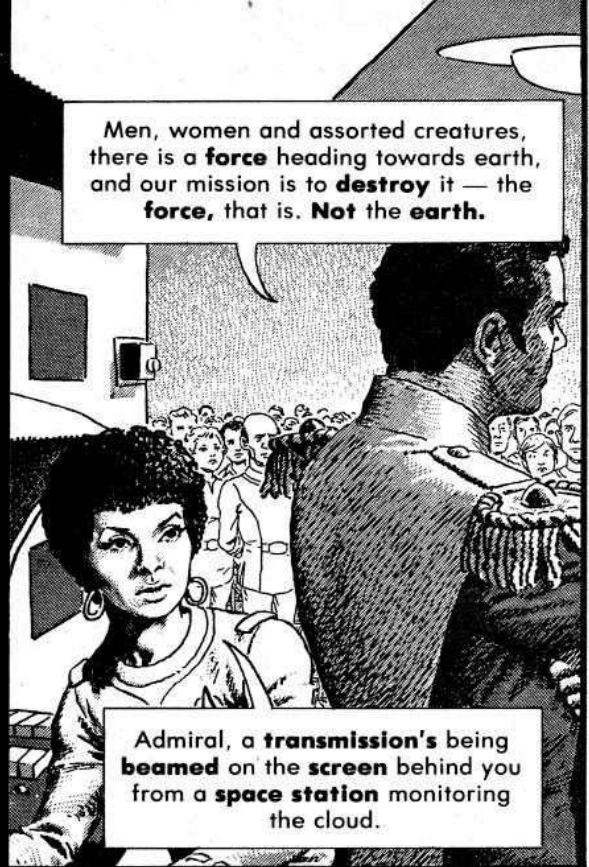
Mr. **Chicklet**, please get me a  
**pen, stamp and envelope**.

What for sir?

I want to **address**  
the crew.







Men, women and assorted creatures, there is a **force** heading towards earth, and our mission is to **destroy** it — the **force**, that is. **Not the earth.**

Admiral, a **transmission's** being **beamed** on the **screen** behind you from a **space station** monitoring the cloud.



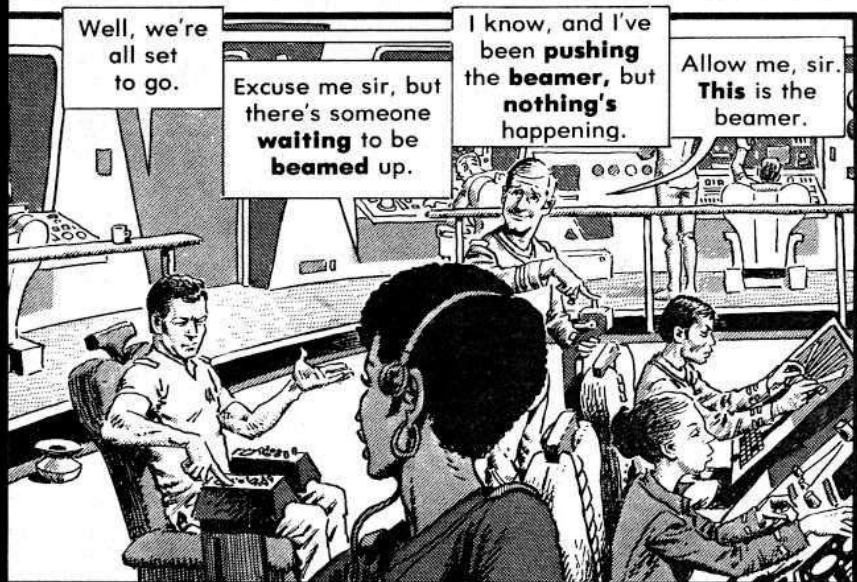
My family and I assure you that this is the **best** margarine you'll ever taste. **Promise!!**

Oops. Wrong transmission.



**Look!!** The station is being **zapped**. What could that strange **cloud** possibly be?

Perhaps it's the radiation **re-mains** of the 1979 3 Mile Island accident.

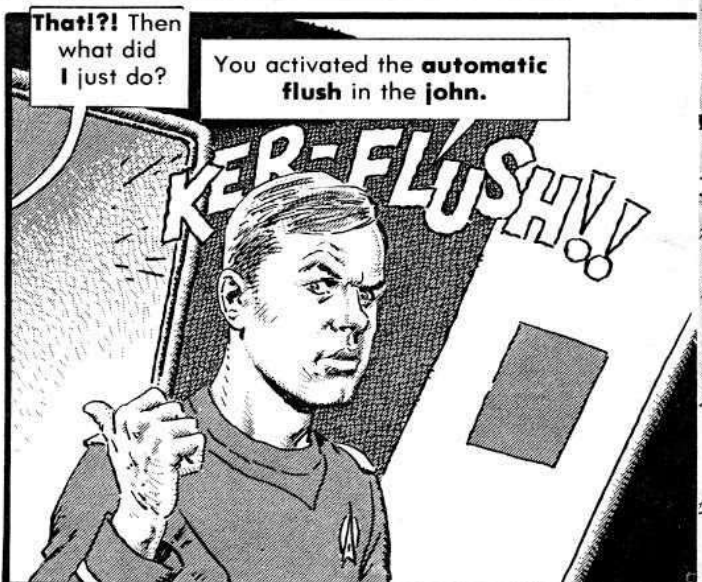


Well, we're all set to go.

Excuse me sir, but there's someone **waiting** to be **beamed** up.

I know, and I've been **pushing** the **beamer**, but **nothing's** happening.

Allow me, sir. **This** is the **beamer**.



**That!?!** Then what did I just do?

You activated the **automatic flush** in the **john**.



**Boned!!**

I told them that I **don't** make **house** calls anymore, but no, they beamed me up here anyway.

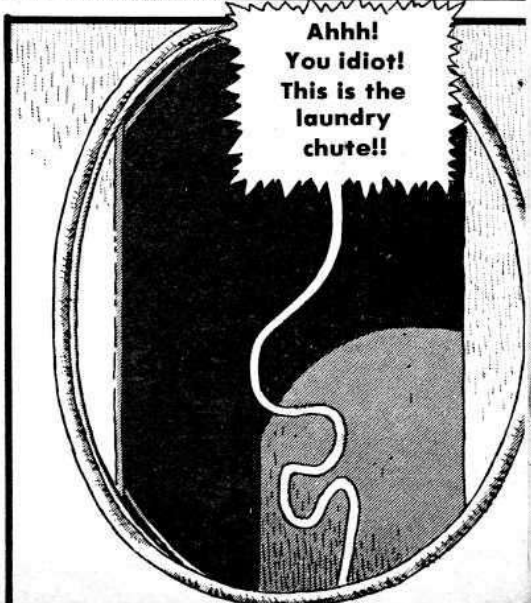
Welcome aboard.

This **ship's** all different.

Don't worry. You'll get the **hang** of it in no time. I did. **Sick bay** is right through **that** door.

Thanks.

OH! OH!...BEAMED UP TO THE WRONG SHIP!!



**Ahhh!** You idiot! This is the **laundry chute!!**



Capt., I am **Hialeah**, your new **second officer**.

I knew those **close cropped** haircuts were in for **women**, but yours is ridiculous.

Aren't you going to **welcome** me **aboard**?

What is this? **The Love Boat**? Just step on in.

Scutti, let's move it out. Bring this baby up to **warp one**.

But sir...

Commander Deckedout, we're in a hurry.

What's going on? Everything's a **blur**.

Perhaps the **CRACKED** printing press is acting up again.

He's been **riding** with the **parking brake** on.

You saved the ship, Captain. I'd like to **thank** you, in my **own** way, of course.

You mean with some more of your **stilted** dialog and **wooden** acting.

This is even **worse** than **riding** in a '74 Vega. What's wrong?

It's what I've been trying to tell the admiral.

Oh.

I am not **wooden**.

Oh no. Then why's that **bird** trying to **peck** at your leg?

TAKKA-TAKKA-TAK!

Commander, there's something approaching us out there.

It must be the **deli sandwiches** I sent out for.

No, sir, it's... my gosh! It's **Mr. Spook**, and he's **hitchhiking**.

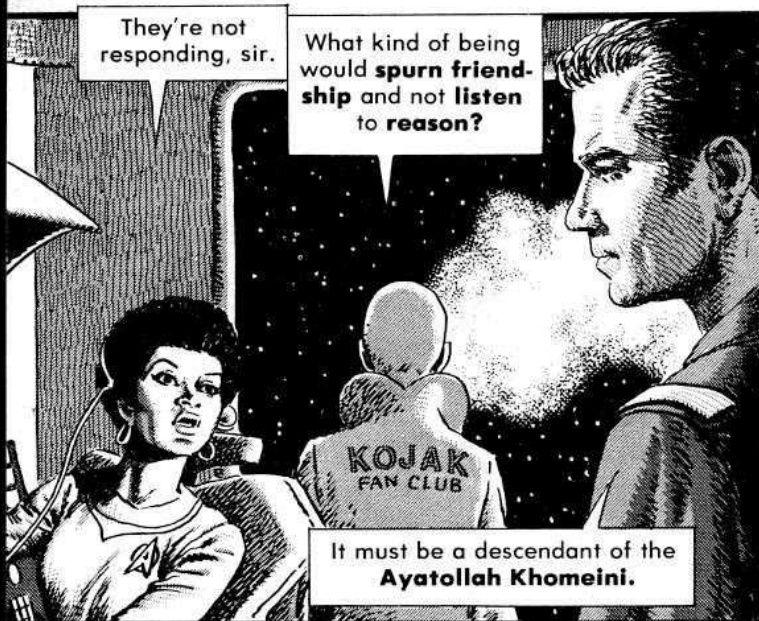


Am I **glad** to see you. Oh, Spook! Spook!

Please sir. You'll **bend** my ears.

I can see you're just as **warm** as ever.

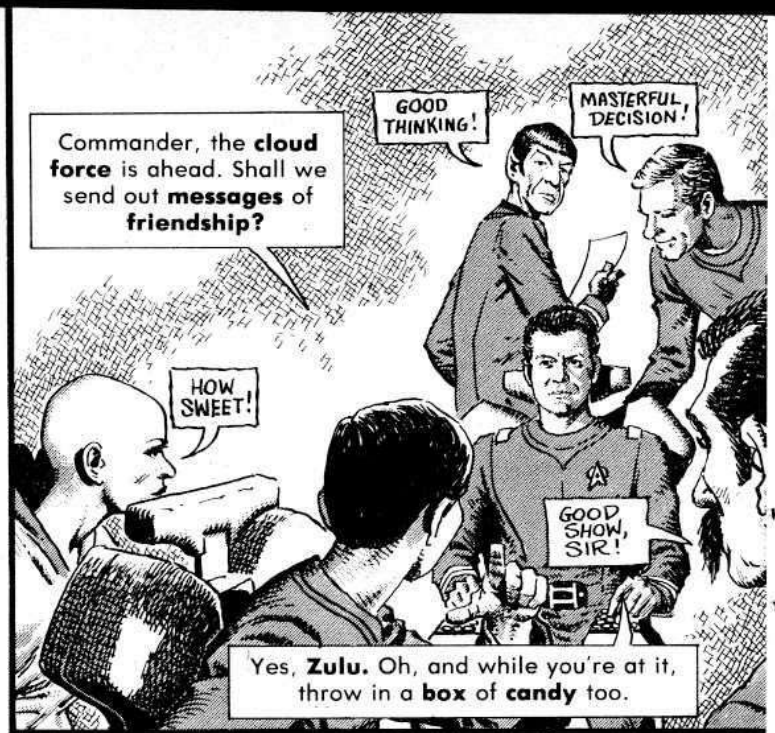
Yes, sir. **98.6.**



They're not responding, sir.

What kind of being would **spurn friendship** and not **listen to reason**?

It must be a descendant of the **Ayatollah Khomeini**.



Commander, the **cloud force** is ahead. Shall we send out **messages of friendship**?

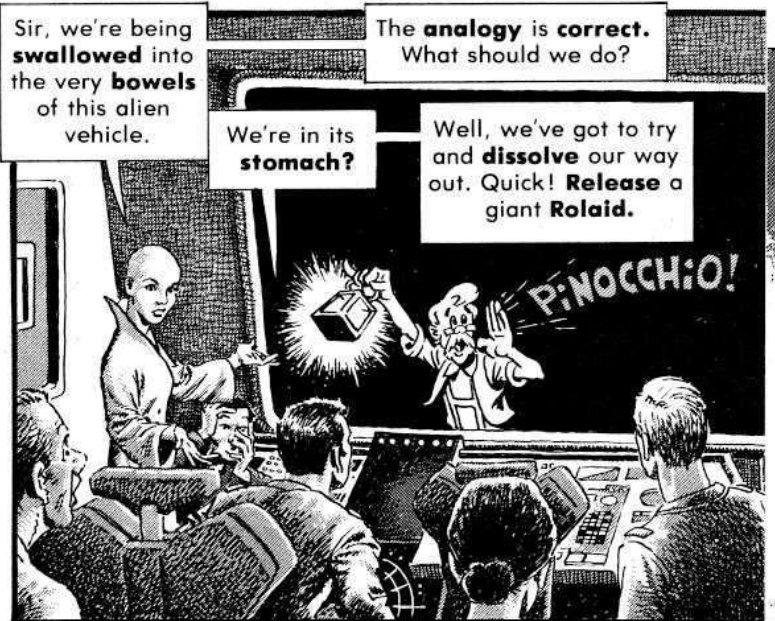
**GOOD THINKING!**

**MASTERFUL DECISION!**

**HOW SWEET!**

**GOOD SHOW, SIR!**

Yes, **Zulu**. Oh, and while you're at it, throw in a **box of candy** too.



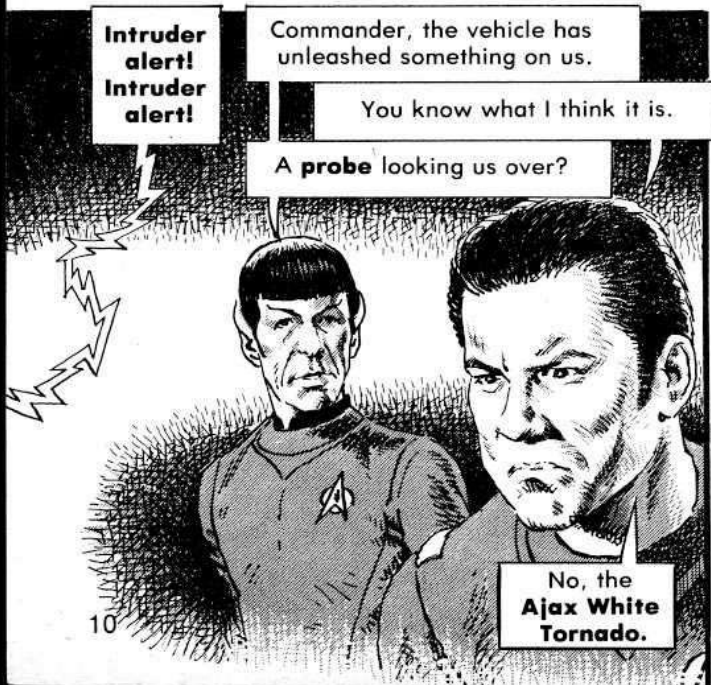
Sir, we're being **swallowed** into the very **bowels** of this alien vehicle.

The **analogy** is **correct**. What should we do?

We're in its **stomach**?

Well, we've got to try and **dissolve** our way out. Quick! **Release a giant Rolaid**.

**PINOCCHIO!**



**Intruder alert! Intruder alert!**

Commander, the vehicle has unleashed something on us.

You know what I think it is.

A **probe** looking us over?

No, the **Ajax White Tornado**.



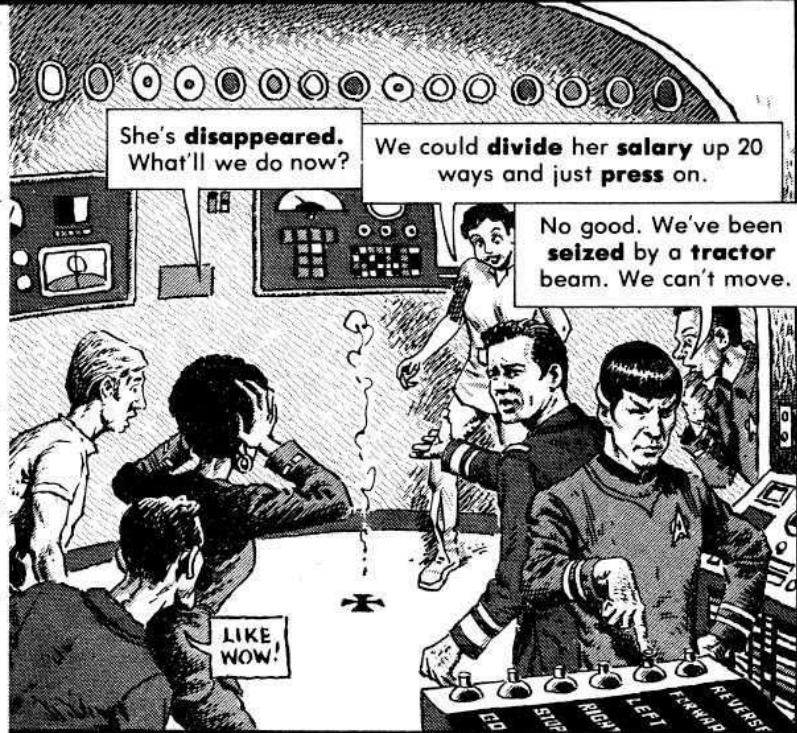
It's going after **Hialeah**.

Our first clue. The being has a **thing** for **bald-headed women**.



Excuse me for being unlady-like sir, but ... Ahhhhhh!



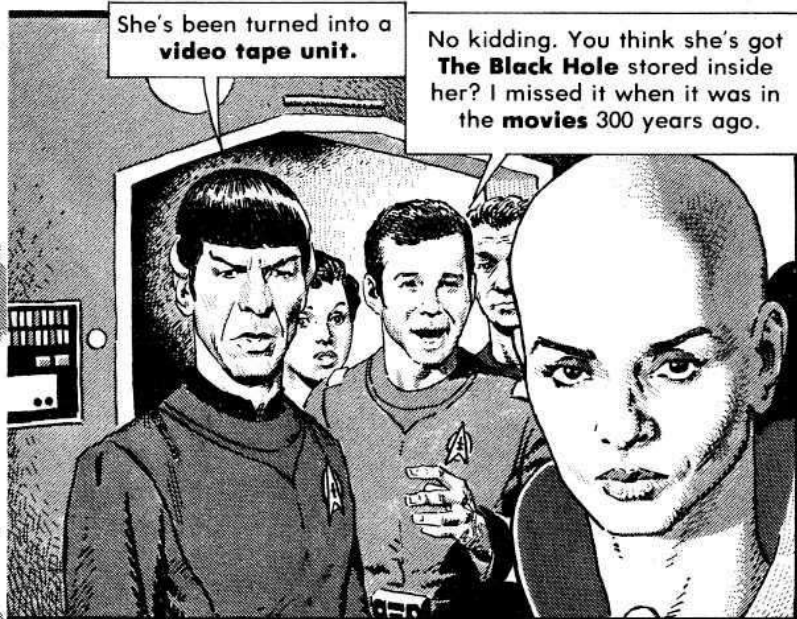


She's **disappeared**.  
What'll we do now?

We could **divide** her **salary** up 20  
ways and just **press** on.

No good. We've been  
**seized** by a **tractor**  
beam. We can't move.

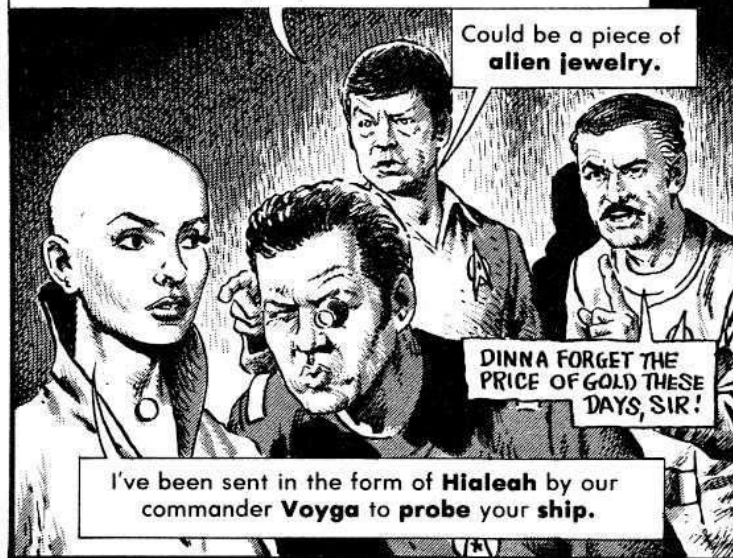
LIKE  
NOW!



She's been turned into a  
**video tape unit**.

No kidding. You think she's got  
**The Black Hole** stored inside  
her? I missed it when it was in  
the **movies** 300 years ago.

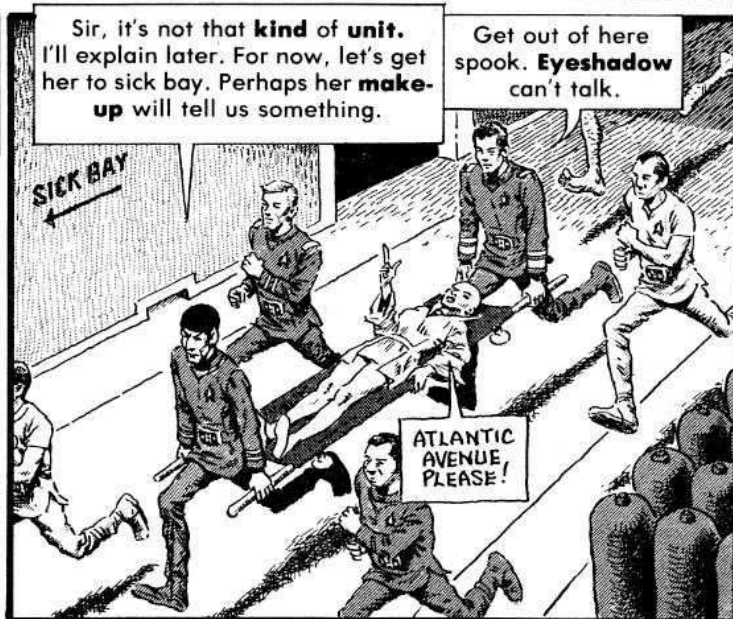
**Quirk!** Hialeah's **returned** only now with some kind  
of red thing **implanted** in her neck.



Could be a piece of  
**alien jewelry**.

DINNA FORGET THE  
PRICE OF **GOLD** THESE  
DAYS, SIR!

I've been sent in the form of **Hialeah** by our  
commander **Voyga** to **probe** your **ship**.



Sir, it's not that **kind** of **unit**.  
I'll explain later. For now, let's get  
her to sick bay. Perhaps her **make-  
up** will tell us something.

Get out of here  
spook. **Eyeshadow**  
can't talk.

SICK BAY  
←

ATLANTIC AVENUE  
PLEASE!



I will now start my **examination**, but I warn  
you admiral, if some strange **creature** **pops** up  
out of her **chest** and **bloodies** my uniform, I'm  
sending **you** the **cleaning bill**.

Uhula,  
where's  
**Spook?**

He wanted to **investigate** the  
outer **regions** of this alien vehicle  
first hand, so he **borrowed** your  
**thruster suit**.

Darn that Spook. I told  
him he could **borrow**  
my ties, my **shoes**,  
even my **huggy bear**  
**pajamas**, but not my  
**thruster suit**!



I'd say it were **spooky** out here, but I'm  
not **capable** of **emotion**. Too bad, though,  
because this place gives me the **creeps**. I  
feel as if I'm in a **living machine** — sort of  
like **spending** the **weekend** trapped  
inside a **Mr. Coffee**.



Ahhhh! The being is mistaking me for a giant **credit card** and **charging** me with 6 million volts of **electricity**.



Spook, are you all right?

There's **6 million volts** of **power** surging through me and you wanna know if I'm all right... Ooh!!

What's wrong?

I feel a **pain** on my **side**. Like something is being **stuck** into me.

Relax.



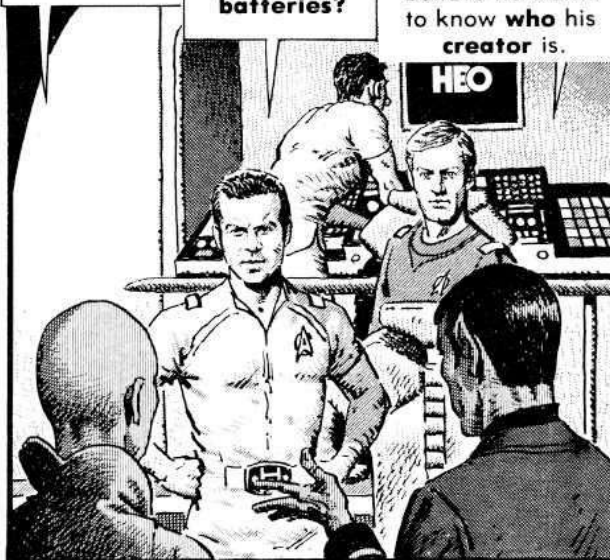
It's only **Boned** running his **hot comb** off your leg.



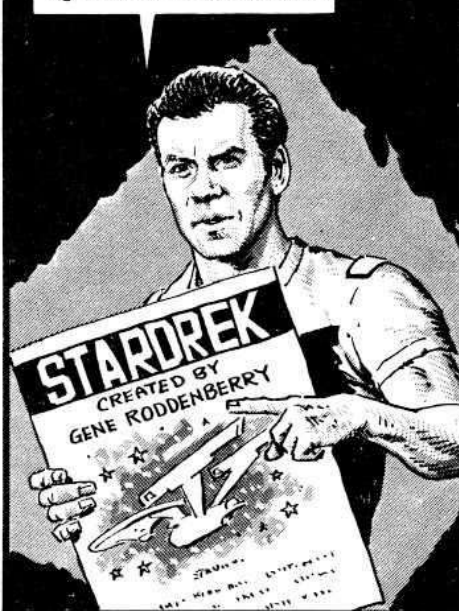
**Voyge** sends a question to you **carbon units**.

Carbon units? What does he think we are — **duracell batteries**?

Commander, **Voyge** is a **machine**. He's **barren**, and I believe he wants to know **who** his **creator** is.



Well tell him **Gene Roddenberry**. See, it's right **here** in the credits.



No good.

Sir, he's got **3** powerful weapons **surrounding** the **earth** now.

I've got an idea. **Voyge** is like a **child**. Treat him as such and maybe this **probe** will take you to **meet** him in **person**.

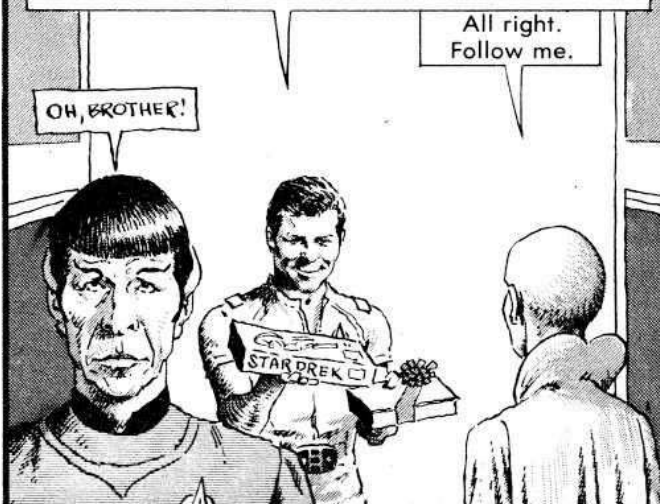
I'll try.



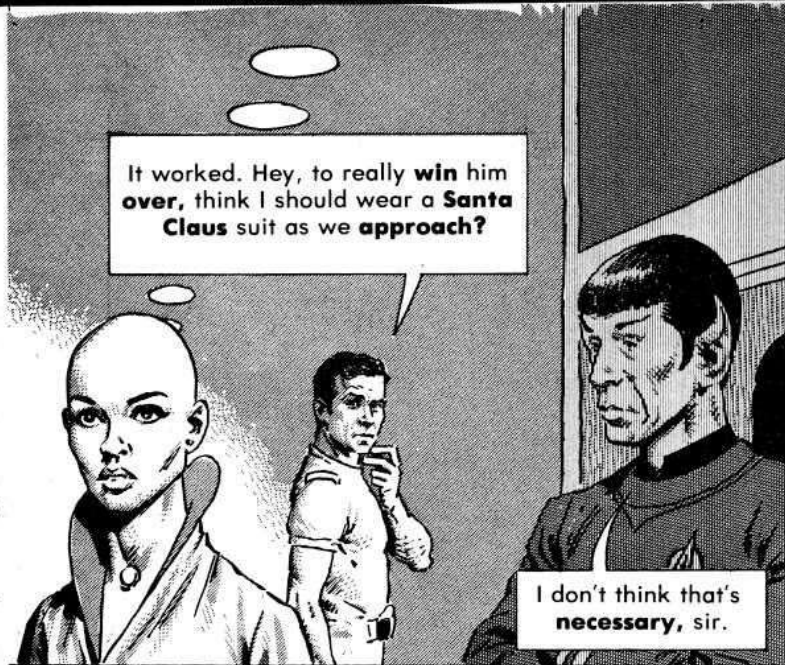
**Voyge**, want some **candy**? Or how about a **Star Drek** model that retails for \$19.95? They're both **yours** if you just **take** me to **yourself**.

All right. Follow me.

OH, BROTHER!

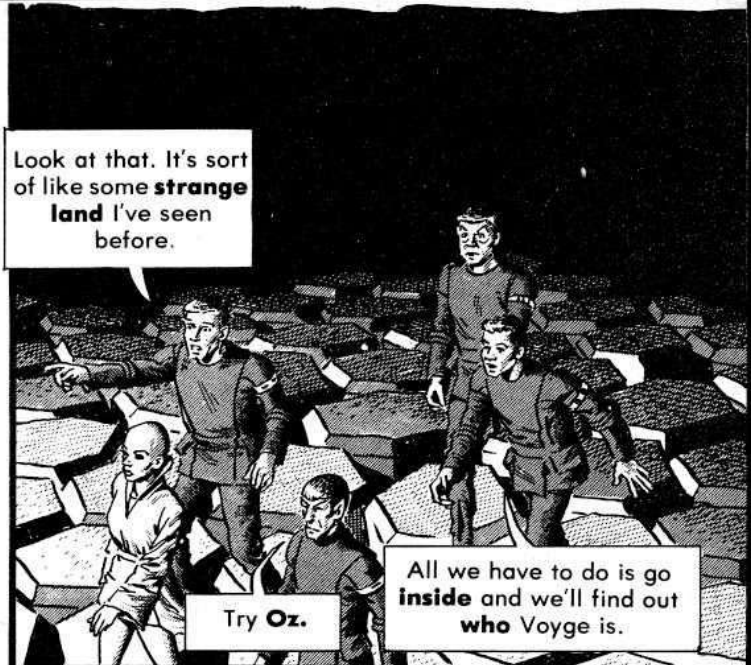






It worked. Hey, to really **win** him over, think I should wear a **Santa Claus** suit as we **approach**?

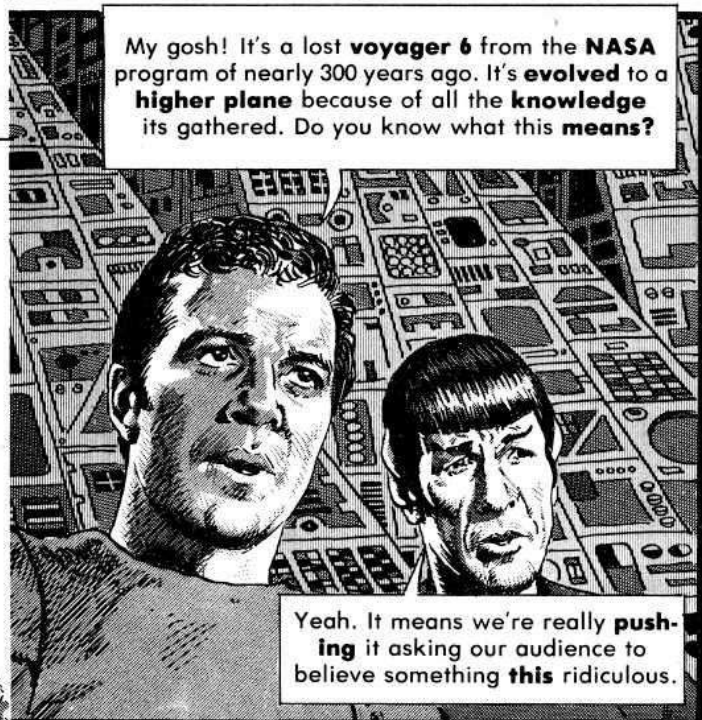
I don't think that's **necessary**, sir.



Look at that. It's sort of like some **strange land** I've seen before.

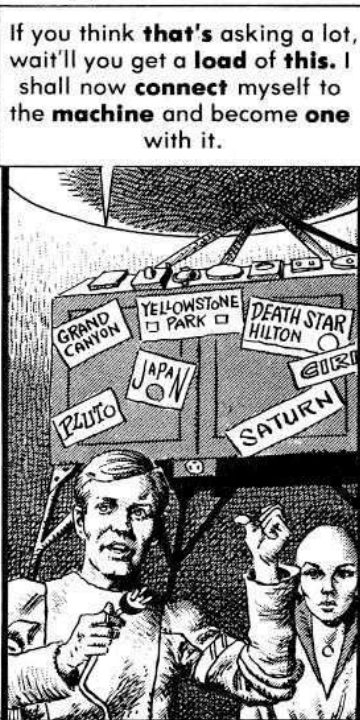
Try **Oz**.

All we have to do is go **inside** and we'll find out **who** Voyge is.

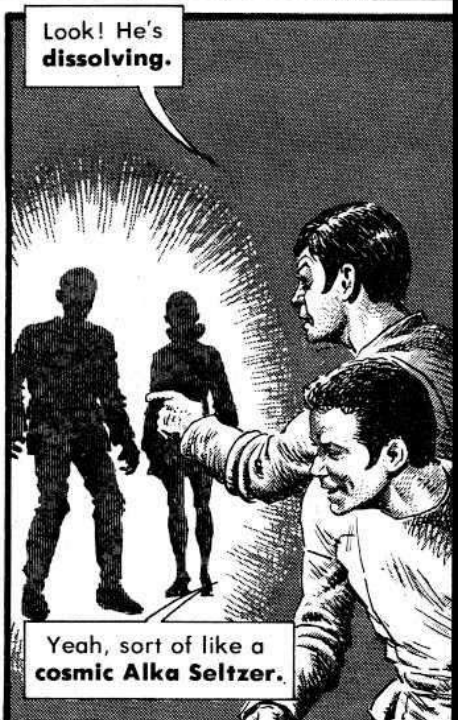


My gosh! It's a lost **voyager 6** from the **NASA** program of nearly 300 years ago. It's **evolved** to a **higher plane** because of all the **knowledge** its gathered. Do you know what this **means**?

Yeah. It means we're really **pushing** it asking our audience to believe something **this** ridiculous.

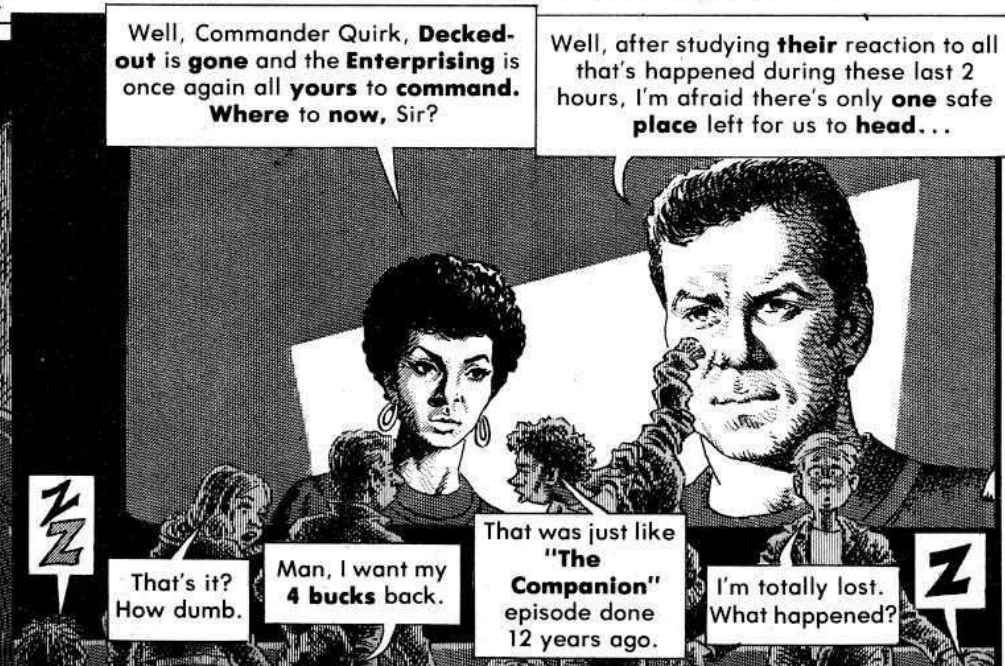


If you think **that's** asking a lot, wait'll you get a **load** of **this**. I shall now **connect** myself to the **machine** and become **one** with it.



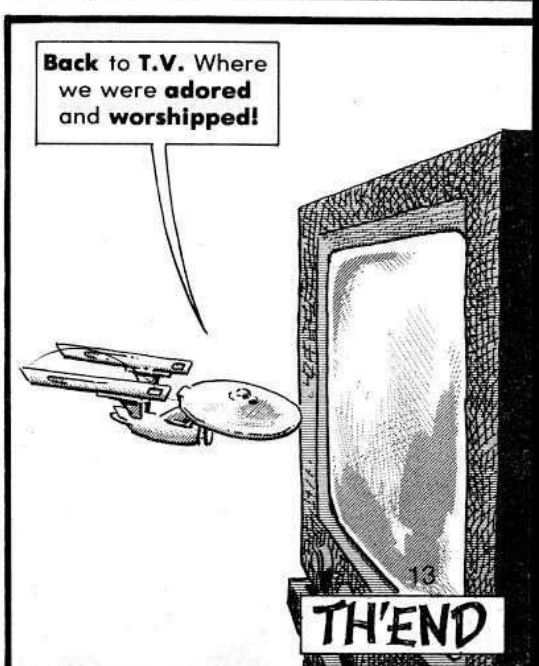
Look! He's **dissolving**.

Yeah, sort of like a **cosmic Alka Seltzer**.



Well, Commander Quirk, **Decked-out** is **gone** and the **Enterprising** is once again all **yours** to **command**. **Where** to now, Sir?

Well, after studying **their** reaction to all that's happened during these last 2 hours, I'm afraid there's only **one** safe **place** left for us to **head**...



**Back** to **T.V.** Where we were **adored** and **worshipped**!

ZZ

That's it? How dumb.

Man, I want my **4 bucks** back.

That was just like **"The Companion"** episode done 12 years ago.

I'm totally lost. What happened?

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TH'END

Motown is finally getting the message on fuel economy. As gas supplies continue to dwindle and dwindle, cars are being made smaller and smaller. CRACKED offers a sneak preview of...

# THE COMING MINI-AUTO AGE

## The 1984 DWARF Dodge

America's Answer to the Japanese Gas Guzzlers  
That Get Only 75 Miles To the Gallon

| 250                                   | EPA<br>EST<br>MPG | 300 | EST<br>HWY<br>MPG |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
| If wind is blowing in your direction. |                   |     |                   |
| 500                                   | EPA<br>EST<br>MPG | 600 | EST<br>HWY<br>MPG |

- 360° Unobstructed View
- No-Door Convenience
- Roomy One-Passenger Interior



Optional:  
Electric-Power  
Aerial (for use  
in amusement  
park bumper  
rides)



- Car Pool attachment  
fits on easily and  
gives you additional  
fuel economy

- Now you can  
repair a flat  
over a relaxing  
martini

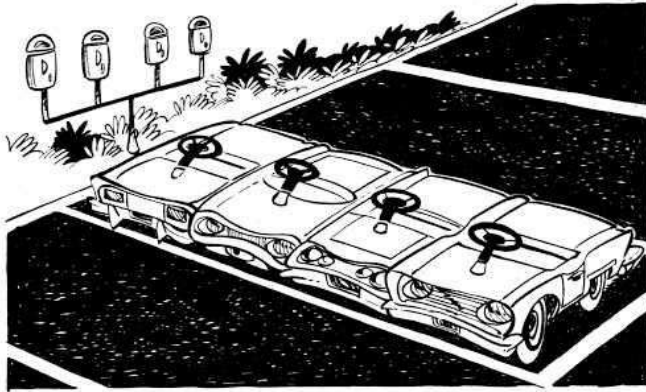


**GM** Genuine Midgits  
Motor Corp.



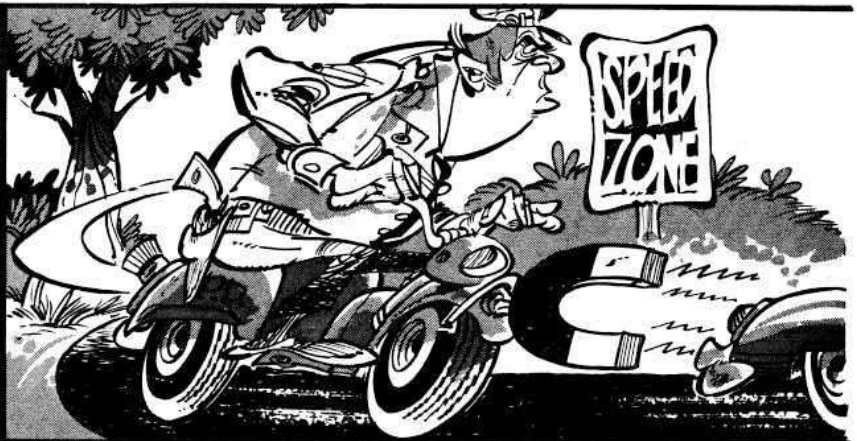
# THE ADVANTAGES OF MINI CARS

Parking spaces will be utilized more efficiently.



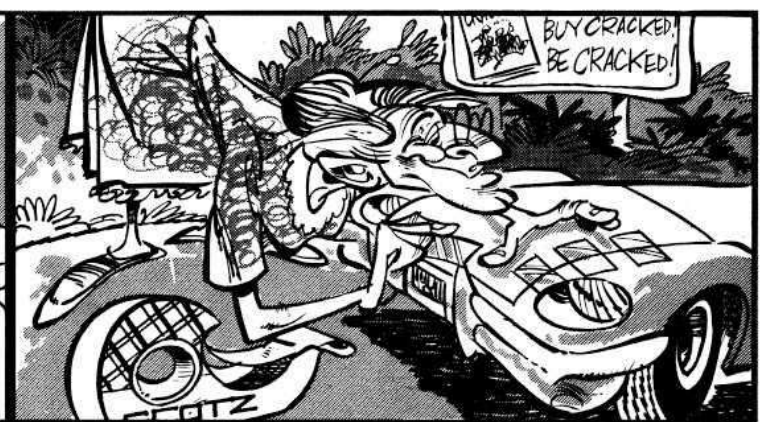
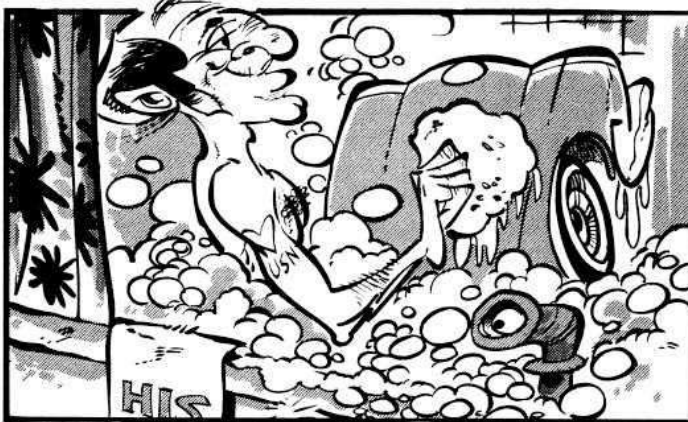
Expensive garages will no longer be needed.

Traffic cops will have no difficulty in apprehending erring motorists.



Car washing will be simplified.

Major auto repairs will be made super easy.



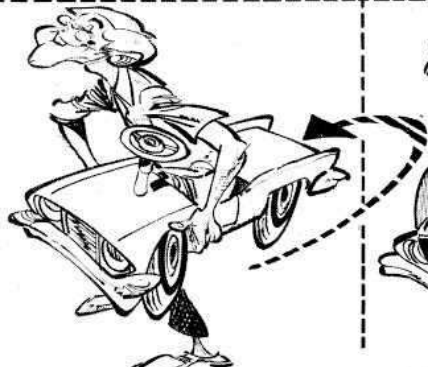
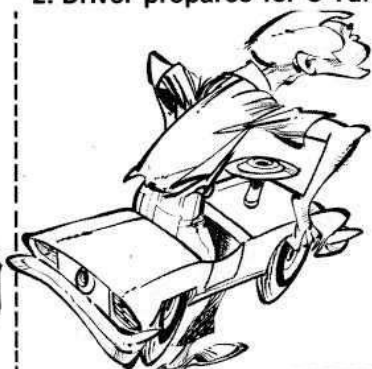
In heavy traffic, motorists will have the option of becoming instant pedestrians.



# DRIVING REGULATIONS WILL HAVE TO BE REVISED FOR THE MINI-CAR

## U-TURNS

1. Driver comes to a full stop.
2. Driver prepares for U-Turn.



3. Driver makes U-Turn.

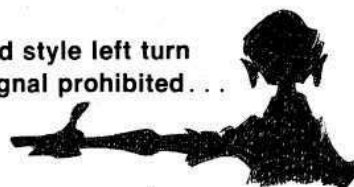


4. Driver resumes speed.

## HAND SIGNALS



Old style left turn signal prohibited...



...Namely, because extended left arm could jab out eye of oncoming motorist.



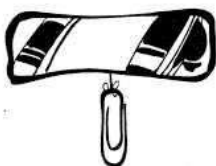
Only new-style left turn signal allowed!



Due to diminished size of windshield area, large talismans are no longer permitted.



Only mini-size talismans are permitted.



### WHEN YOU SEE THIS SIGN

It means you are in a residential area of a town or city where 15 miles per hour is the speed limit.



### WHEN YOU SEE THIS SIGN

It means you can reminisce about the big old-fashioned gas guzzlers that were able to go over 25 m.p.h.

During heavy rainy weather...

...No more than one mini-car may seek shelter under a truck that is in motion.



Extreme care should be exercised when approaching schools.

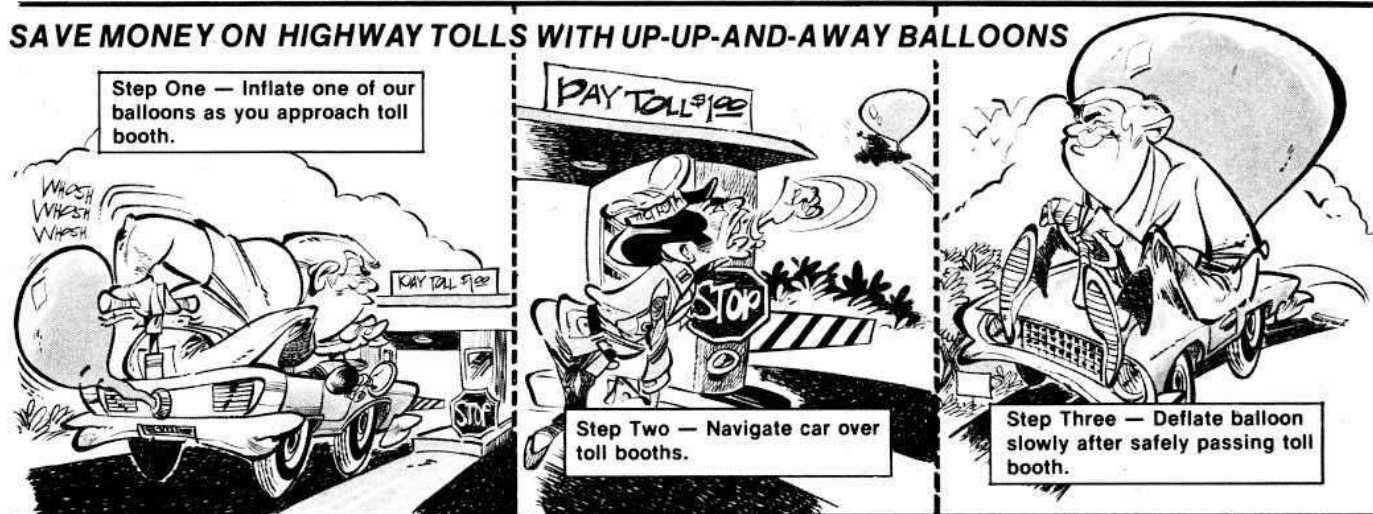
Unruly students present an extreme hazard to mini-motorists.





# THE AUTO SUPPLY INDUSTRY WILL LAUNCH NEW PRODUCTS FOR THE MINI-CAR MARKET

## SAVE MONEY ON HIGHWAY TOLLS WITH UP-UP-AND-AWAY BALLOONS



## No mini-car driver can afford to be without SMALL STATE AUTO INSURANCE

the only policy that protects you against...



### • Negligent street cleaners



## You don't have to be all wet, anymore!



## CARUMBA ELLA

The car umbrella. The perfect answer to the mini-cars biggest drawback!

Comes in 20 different shades and patterns. Match your outfit. Buy more than one. Complete with car attachment.

## NOW YOU CAN STOP QUICKLY AND SAFELY WITH SPIKED AUTO GLOVES



We also carry



Chained Gloves for snow driving.



Suction Gloves for rain driving.

## PUT YOUR COMPANY'S MESSAGE WHERE MOTORISTS WILL BE SURE TO SEE IT CURB ADVERTISING AGENCY





Most people (with the possible exception of Woody Allen) eat every day. It's a primitive habit which started with the Neanderthal Man, and continues even to this day. And, although eating usually makes most people fat and poor, it can make you, the CRACKED Reader... fat and rich! That is, you can reap financial rewards from eating, if you exploit people's appetites by opening up a restaurant of your own. So read on, and you will find out how you can do this in the following...

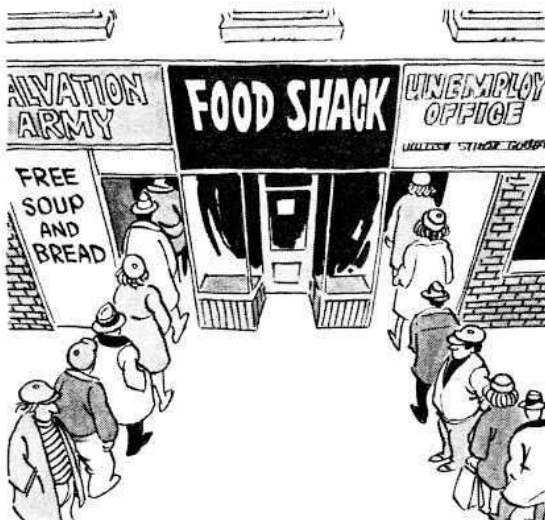
# CRACKED HANDBOOK FOR RESTAURANT OWNERS

## 1. Choosing A Location: To attract steady customers, you must locate your restaurant in a good area.

Choose a location which is close to the homes of many people. You can't expect many customers if your restaurant is located...

Find a safe neighborhood in which to open your eatery. Don't choose a location where the people outside the restaurant are likely to have the same objects in their hands as the people eating inside the restaurant.

Locate in an area populated by people who have a lot of money to spend. You have chosen the wrong neighborhood if your restaurant is right next door to...



## 2. Types of Restaurants: In today's offbeat world, hungry people often flock to unusual restaurants.

**Drive-Ins:** If you open up one of these restaurants where people can eat in their cars, make sure that your customers know where they are supposed to drive in!

**Diet Restaurant:** You may decide to open up a special restaurant for people who want to lose weight. But this has one drawback, this type of eatery will force you to spend more money on...

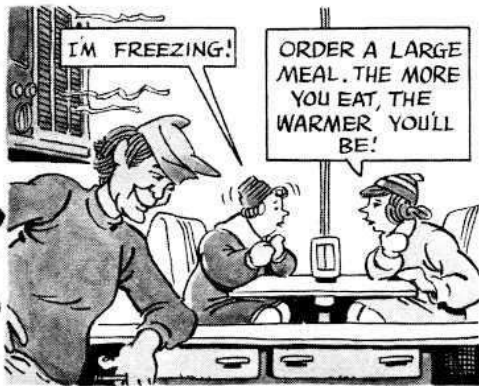
**Outdoor Restaurants:** If you open up an outdoor eatery where people can dine and enjoy sunshine at the same time, make sure you locate in the right climate.



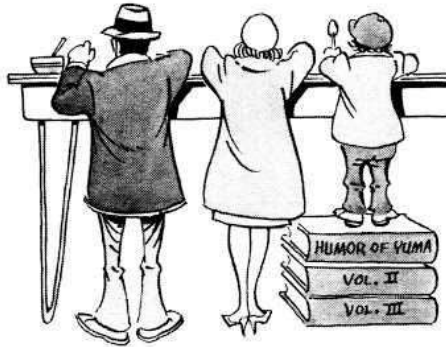


### 3. Setting Up: How you furnish your restaurant can make the difference between financial success or failure.

You're sure to sell more food if you buy an air conditioner and keep it running all year round, even during the coldest winter days because . . .



You can save money on chairs and increase your seating capacity if you furnish your restaurant with high tables which force your customers to stand up while they . . .



. . . and, if you have these high tables electrically wired so that they recede into the floor at the push of a button, every night after your customers have finished eating their dinner, you can convert your restaurant into a . . .



### 4. Special Customer Services: If you offer your customers "little extras", you can be certain that your restaurant will be the "Talk of the town".

For the customer who must eat and leave quickly to catch a movie, you can provide an Express Waiter Service — a waiter who serves meals with lightning speed because he is wearing . . .



However, there is one disadvantage to this method, the floor must always be kept spotlessly clean, or else the roller skating waiter might . . .



You can please customers if you set up a game room in the back of your restaurant, a place where after eating a delicious meal, the satisfied diner can spend a few hours, and possibly a few thousand . . .

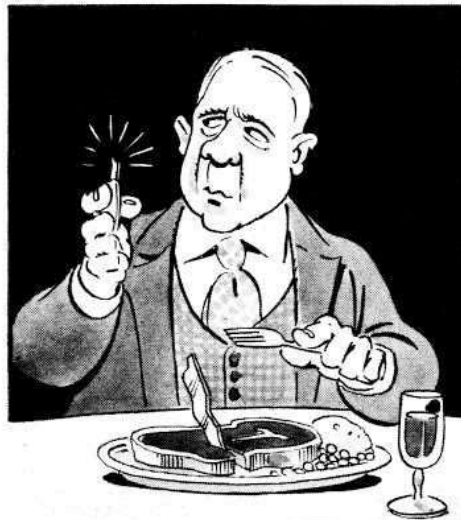


### 5. Food: Your restaurant's reputation will depend upon the quality of the food you serve.

The food you serve should be as fresh as possible, but don't overdo it.

All steaks and chops should be cooked until tender.

Serve large portions of meat and vegetables. People will not return to eat in your restaurant if the amount of food you serve them is too . . .



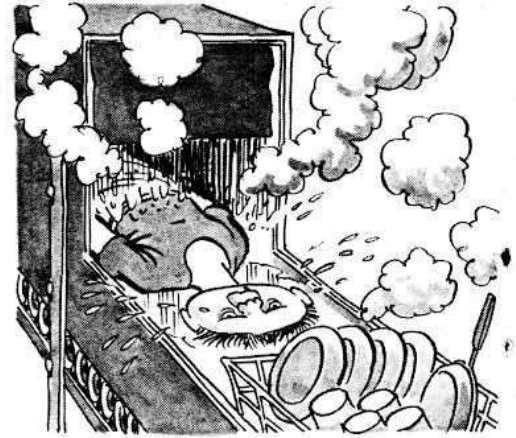


## 6. Personnel: Hiring good workers will help you to run your restaurant more efficiently.

**Proper Attire:** Often, customers won't complain about bad food and service as long as the waitresses are attractively dressed.

Hire waiters who are fast on their feet, just in case some dishonest customers try and beat the...

Hire dishwashers who have good balance, or else they may wind up...



## 7. Firing Personnel: If your restaurant workers are not doing their job well, give them their "Walking Papers".

It's time to fire your chef, if most of your customers are standing over their fish chowder with a...

It's time to hire a new cashier, if the size of his pockets are much larger than the rest of his pants.

It's time to fire your waitress, if instead of receiving coins as tips, you notice that she usually gets her tips in the form of written notes.



## 8. Tricks of the Trade: There are several techniques which a restaurant owner can use to turn a "slow" week into a highly profitable one.

All future restaurant owners should know that you can cut your cleaning bills in half by turning over the...

If you put large amounts of salt in the food you serve, your customers thirst will increase, and so will your profits because they will order more...

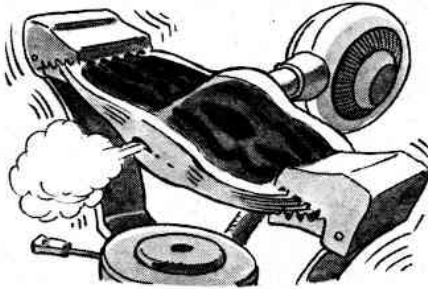
Now that your heavily salted food is helping you to sell more drinks, you can still further increase your profits by giving your customers less beverage for their money, simply by overfilling their glasses with...



9. Products: There are many products sold on the market which will help the restaurant owner reap greater financial rewards from his food selling business.

## MEAT STRETCHER

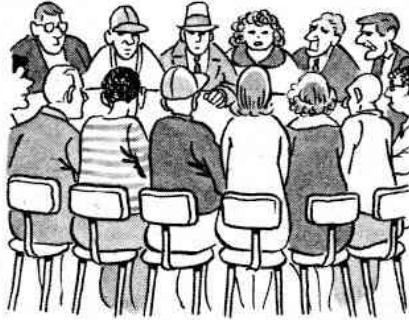
...creates the illusion that you are serving large portions. Meat Stretcher fills meat with air, and stretches its' fibers at the same time!



Food Mutilators Of America  
Prophet, Me.

Double the seating capacity of your restaurant by furnishing it with...

## NARROW CHAIRS



With Narrow Chairs, a table for 8 now becomes a table for 16! So order today, and tomorrow you can start putting the squeeze on your customers bodies and wallets at the same time.

Bensonhurst Interior Decorators,  
Atableforfivewillnowseat, Tenn.

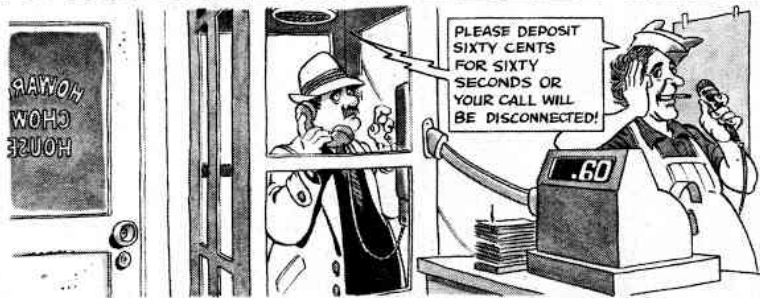
## REST ROOM SUPPLY KIT



Includes the following items:

- 1) Out of Order Sign — the best way to keep your restroom clean.
- 2) A Bar of Soap — for the day the Health Inspector comes.
- 3) Super Strength Strawberry Air Freshener — the over-powering smell of this air freshener nearly guarantees that no one will dare enter and dirty your restroom.

## RESTAURANT TELEPHONES



The Restaurant Telephones sold by our company will boost the profits of your eating establishment, because while a customer is talking on the phone, every 60 seconds he will be interrupted by a voice... YOUR VOICE... asking him to "Please deposit 60¢ for the next 60 seconds." And it is YOU, not the local phone company which benefits from this outrageous phone call rate... because the phone's coin box is connected directly to your cash register!!

## DUMMY DINERS



By seating our Dummies of famous people at your empty tables, you can make people passing by on the street think that your restaurant is popular and crowded. Our new line of Dummy Diners includes: Robin, Anson & Paul Williams, Simple & Paul Simon, Kit & Johnny Carson, Olivia Newton-John & John Travolta, etc.

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## TORCH KIT

PHONE: Unlisted

ADDRESS: Give us a call and we'll tell you.

Everybody's doing it, so why not you? After your food business fails, you can still profit by burning down your restaurant and collecting the insurance money. Torch Kit will help you do this! Each Torch Kit includes a gallon of highly flammable oil, and one match... plus for only \$45 more... you can rent the services of "Frankie The Flame", who will spread the oil & light the blaze for you!

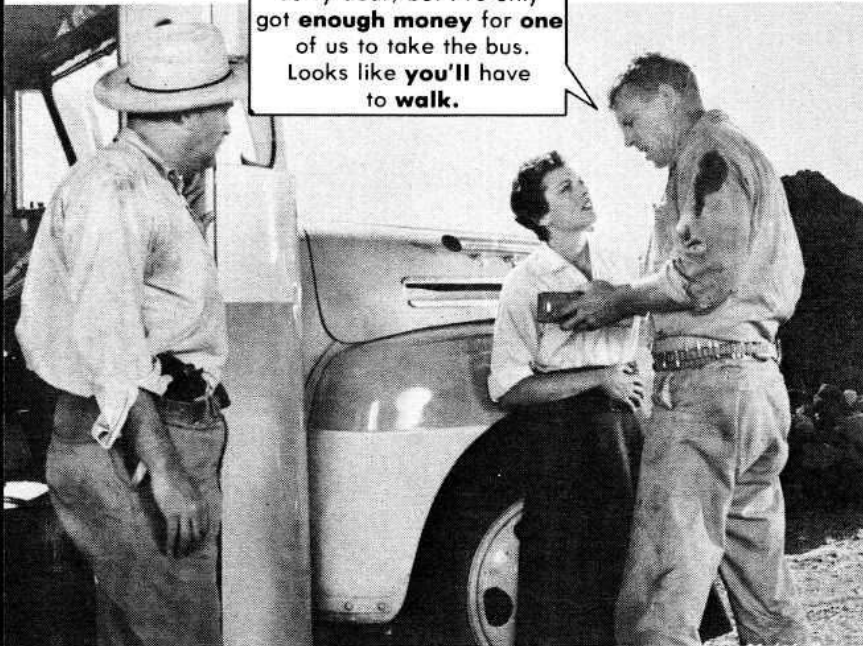


ABSOLUTELY, POSITIVELY,  
UNQUESTIONABLY,  
THE VERY LAST OF



# THE CRACKED LENS

Sorry dear, but I've only  
got **enough money** for **one**  
of us to take the bus.  
Looks like **you'll** have  
to **walk**.



I **told**  
you not  
to slam  
the door!!



He says he wants  
me to get a  
**haircut** like **his!**

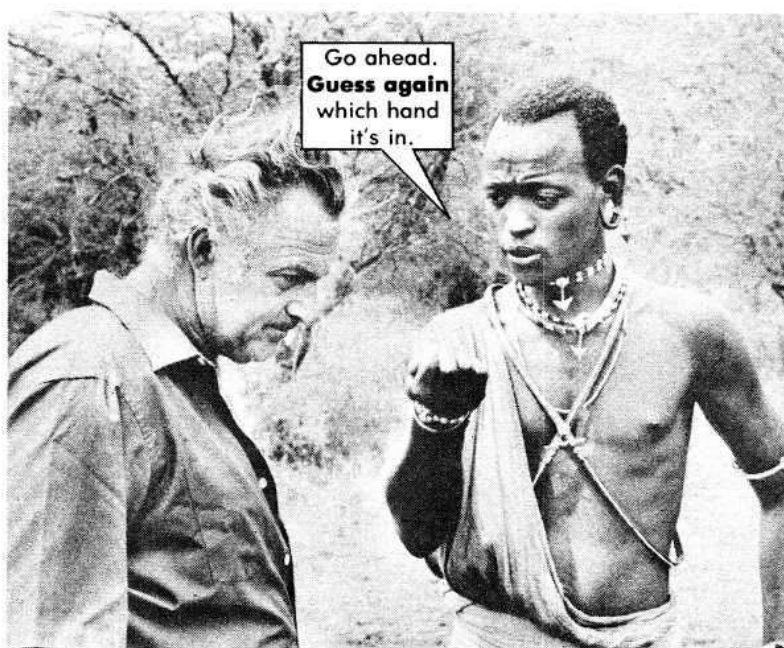
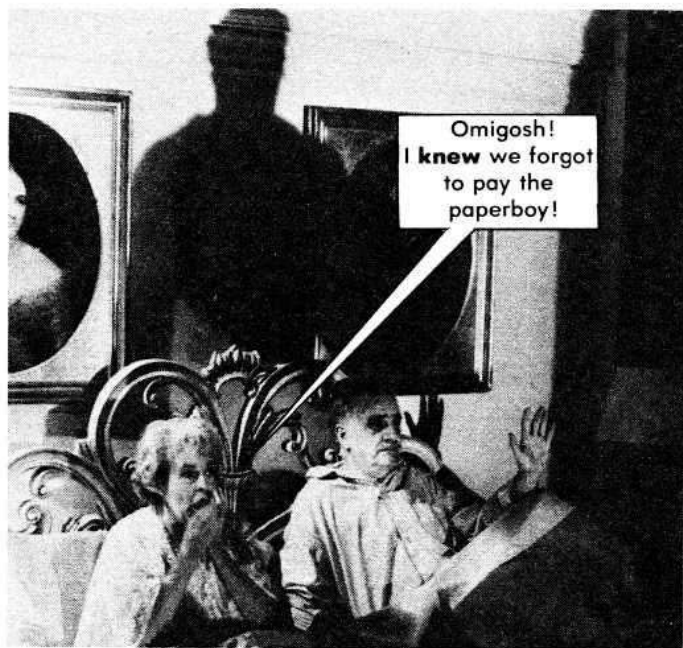
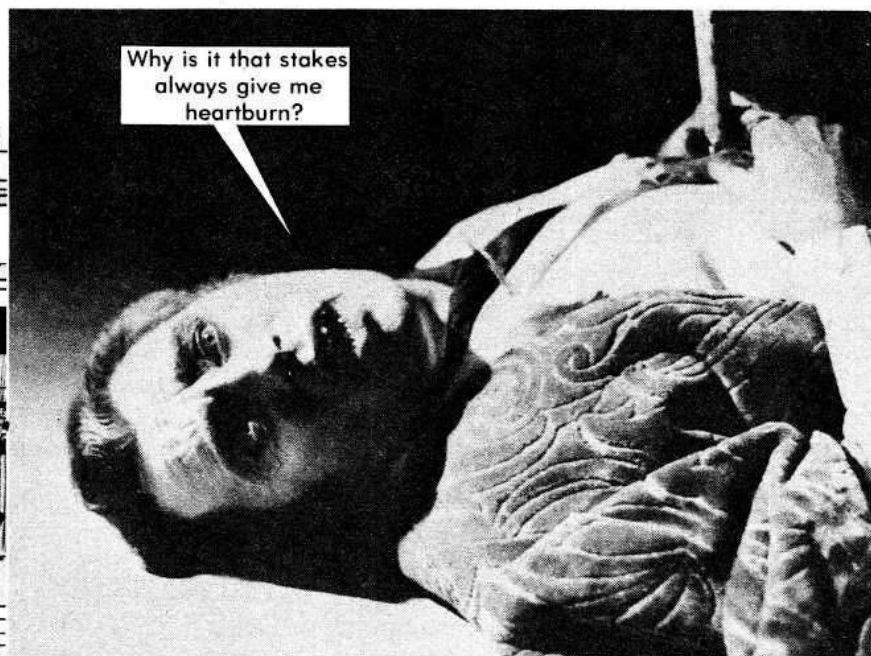


I'm **telling** you Elsie,  
you **better** lay that  
golden egg, or your  
**goose** is **cooked**.

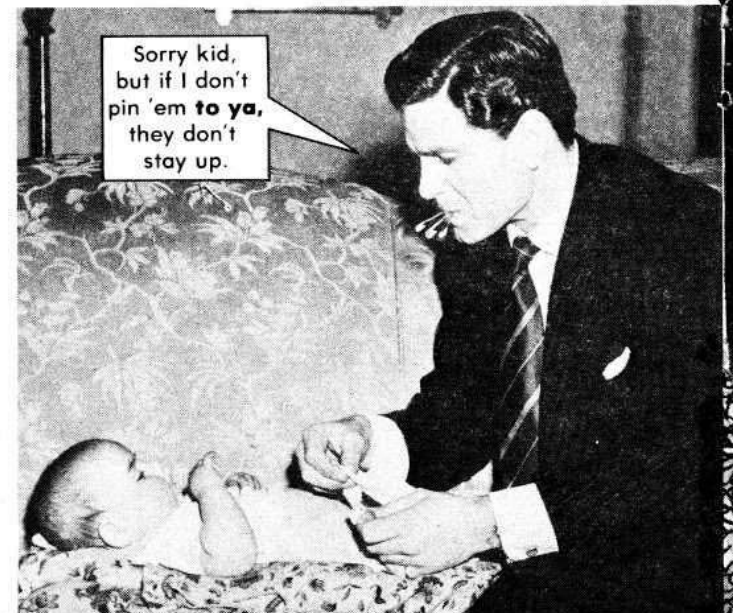
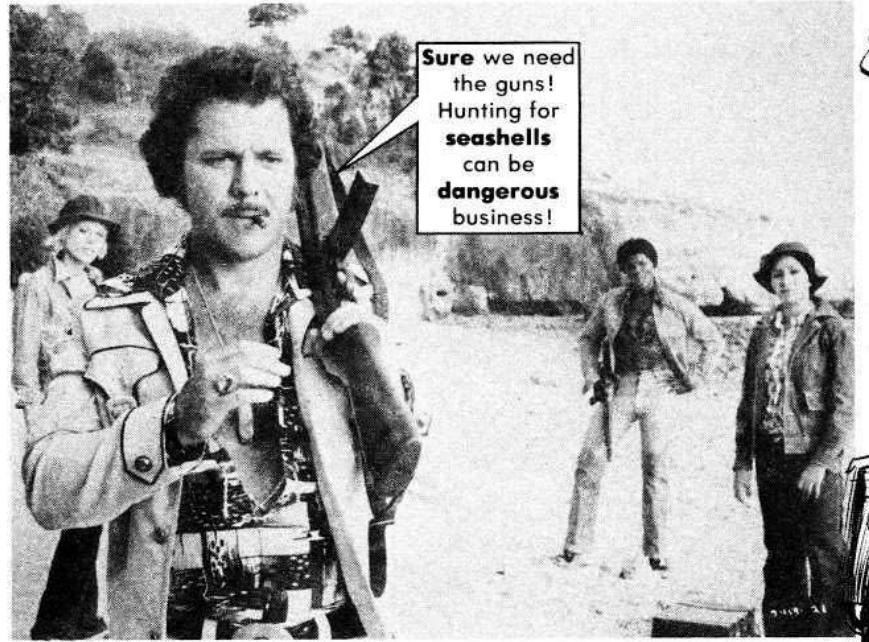


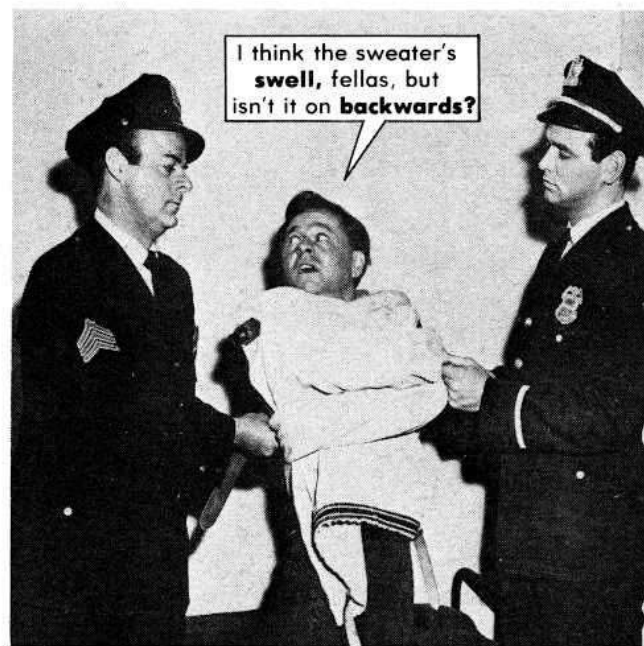
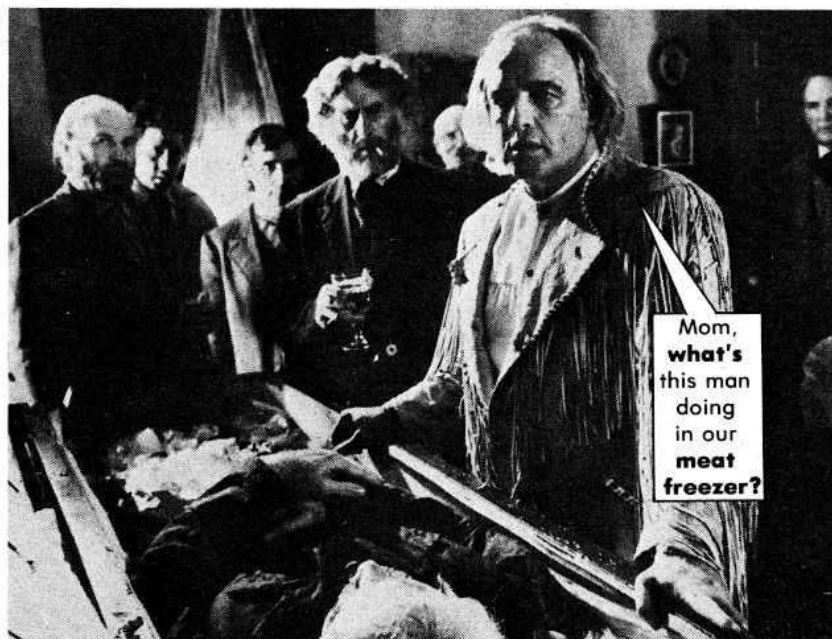
Excuse me, but you've got  
a **smudge** of **butter** on your  
ear, and I'd just **hate**  
to see it go to **waste!**













If you've enjoyed the articles in CRACKED so far, you're lucky! Mainly because it's **downhill** from now on! Where **else** is there to go when you indulge in America's number one sport? So come along with us as...

# CRACKED



# GOES TO A SKI MOUNTAIN



know  
they call  
ark lift  
ks up  
meat!

As your psychiatrist,  
Henry, I must point  
out that you're  
using your **skis**  
as a **crutch!**

I got a brand-new  
pair of skis  
for my wife!

Say, **that's**  
a great  
trade!

How do you  
like my  
skiing?

Oh, is  
**that** what  
you were  
doing?

Do you know  
the slope  
is very icy?

No, hum  
a few bars,  
and I'll  
fake it!

They say skiing is  
great for what  
ails you... but  
now the only  
thing that **ails**  
me is my **skiing!**

Did you see  
"Downhill Racer"  
with  
Robert Redford?

No, I saw  
it with my  
brother!

I brought along all  
the equipment necessary  
for skiing... ski poles,  
a ski suit, ski hat,  
goggles and a pair  
of **crutches!**

Have you  
seen the  
big snow  
bank?

You mean  
they're  
saving  
that too?

How come  
you never  
use those  
water skis  
I gave you  
last summer?

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GOY  
OZHEK  
P.L.P.

I can't  
find a lake  
on a hill!

I made a record-breaking  
jump yesterday. I landed  
on the lodge disco and  
broke three records!

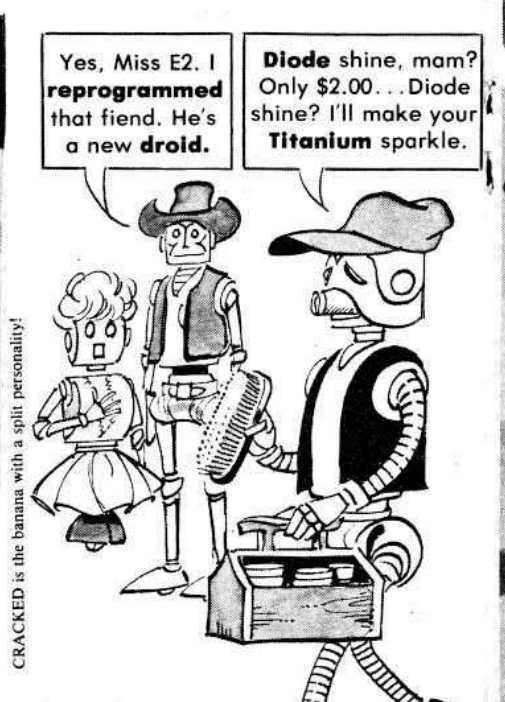
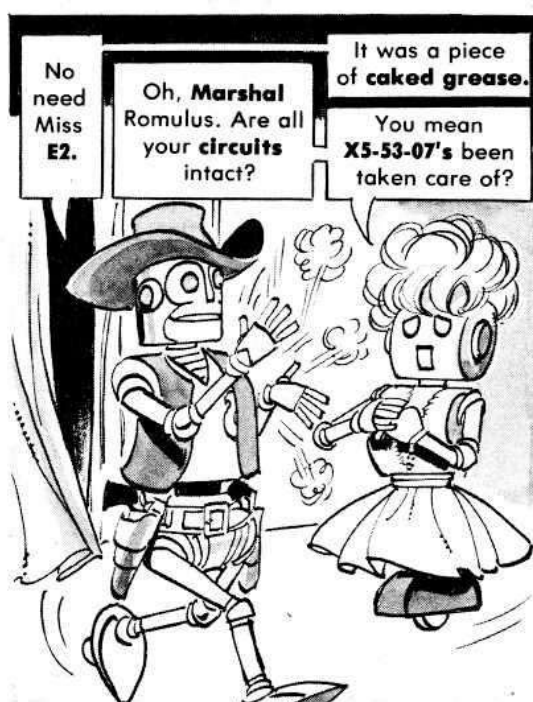
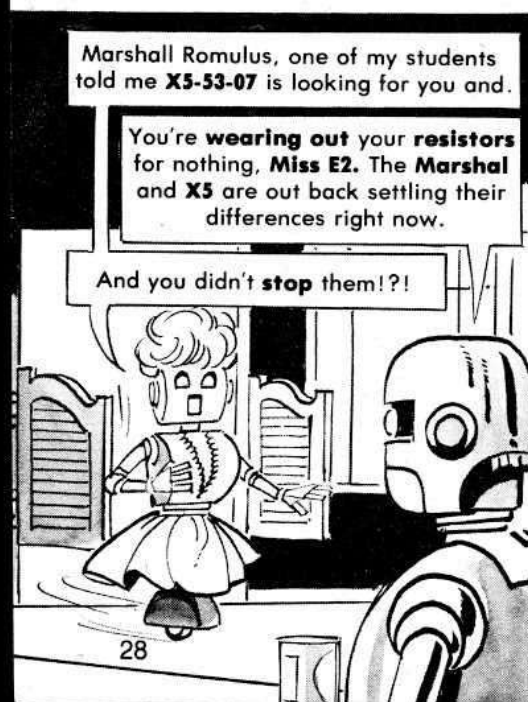
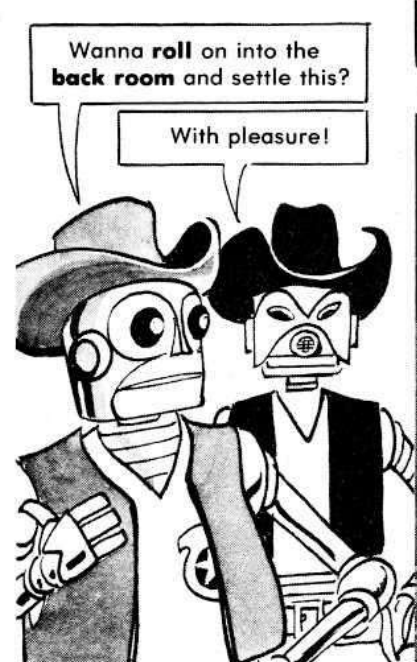
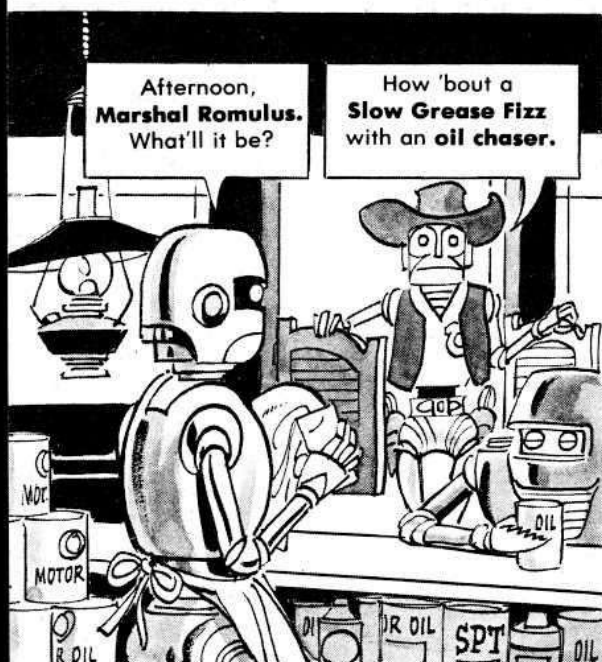


At the stroke of midnight on December 31, 1979, the world lost something it will never have again — the 1970's. And with the dawning of a new decade, what does man have to look forward to? Well, the editors here, along with the writers and artists, all sat down one afternoon, put their minds together (no nasty comments please), looked at what the 70's had or could have given us, and then used it all as a sort of spring-board for coming up with these

# CRACKED PREDICTIONS FOR THE 1980's

## T.V.

By 1985, CRACKED believes *Mork* and *Mindy*, *Happy Days*, *Three's Company*, etc. will all be relegated to the world of reruns. Comedy will be on the wane, unfortunately. The big rage will once again be westerns — only with a twist as illustrated here in a scene from what could be 1985's top hit, "*The Adventures of Marshal Romulus*"



CRACKED is the banana with a split personality!

## MEDICINE

Today, heart transplants are commonplace as are new kidneys and gall bladders. And, after analyzing the medical field thoroughly, CRACKED predicts that by 1987, the human body will become sort of like the cars of today — capable of having every individual part totally replaced.



## HOUSING

As for housing, CRACKED predicts that the "natural" look will spread. At the moment, architects are using lots of wood for walls, ceilings and floors, as well as plants to accent the whole decor. Well, we believe the next decade will continue to bring the outdoor environment indoors.





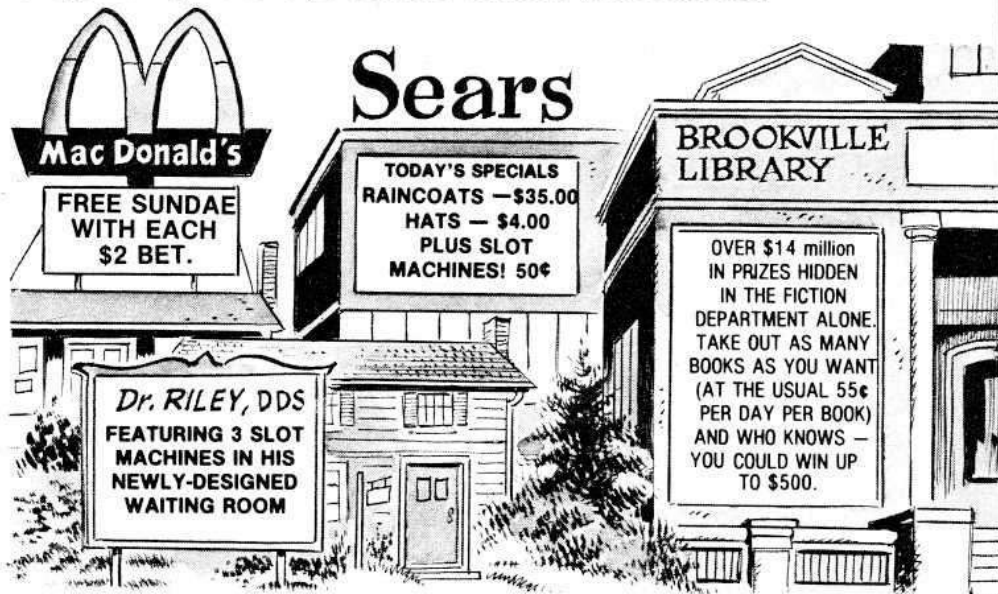
## ECONOMY

CRACKED believes incomes will continue to soar, but unfortunately so will inflation, leading to much higher prices by 1989.



## GAMBLING

With New Jersey revenues soaring, we predict other areas will see the potential, so that by the mid-1980's, nearly every state in the union will have gambling. However, it won't be confined to just casinos.



## HOME ENTERTAINMENT

Today, we are on the brink of a multi-video revolution, and CRACKED sees the 1980's as the blossoming of this era. Currently, there are video tape recorders and video discs (records that play pictures). But there will be much more including T.V.'s with Dolby stereo sound

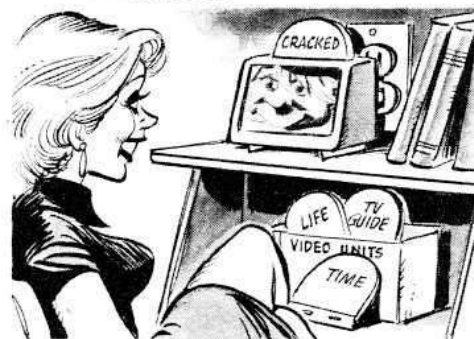


But as home entertainment thrives, the 80's will see several adverse effects.

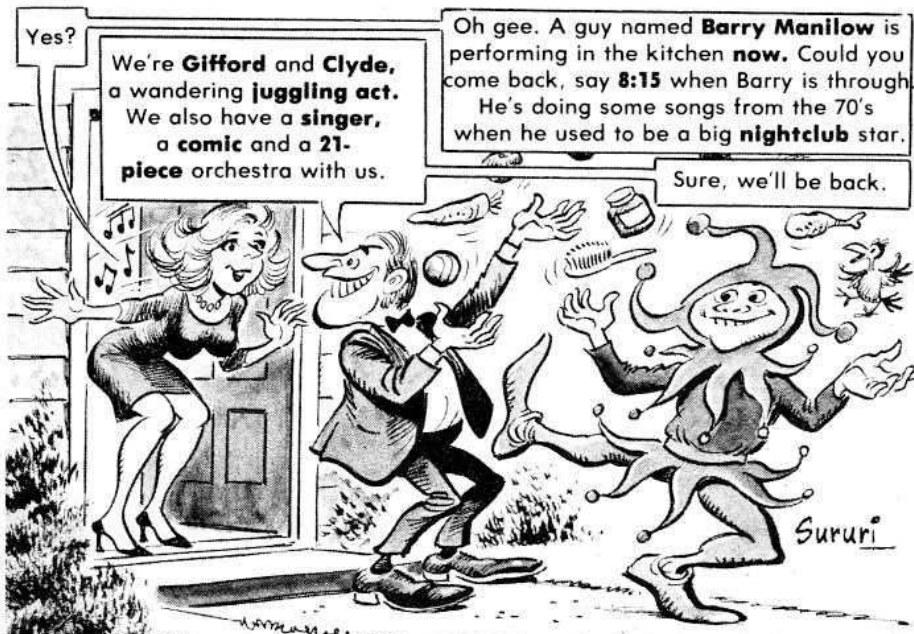
### Tele-Trans Communicators



Plug-in video units that beam current and past issues of magazines and newspapers.



And with movies, theaters and night clubs shuttered, CRACKED predicts one other boom — the revival of the wandering minstrel or, in this case, the traveling showman.



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## OIL

In this area, the CRACKED crystal ball sees oil as still skyrocketing to about \$95 a barrel by 1983, causing people throughout the country to replace furnaces and electric ovens with wood-burning stoves.



However, as this spreads, wood scavengers will be rampant.



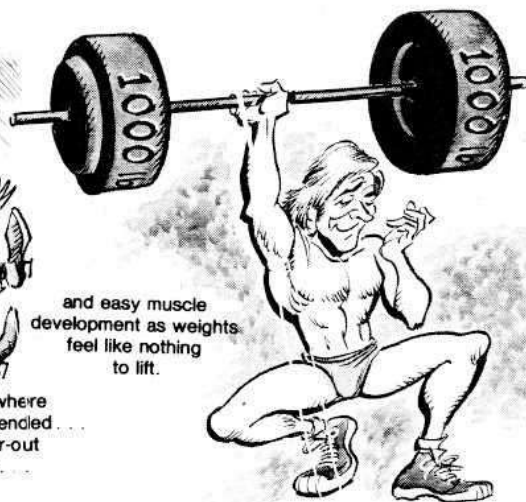
And real tree forests will become highly-guarded commodities.

What you've been walking through is a plastic tree forest. But in a moment, we'll be taking you into a 1/2 acre compound of the real thing.



## NIGHTSPOTS

Before, we talked about the closing of movies and nightclubs. Well, we're not reneging on this prediction; however, we do see a different type of night spot opening. People will still have an urge to get out, only in the 80's, it'll be a totally different type of place (offering thrills not gotten anywhere else) known as anti-gravitational clubs.



## POLITICS

The 80's will bring new issues, new challenges and new problems. But in politics, it'll still be the same old thing.

You ask me if I support multi-level space housing, and I say this to that, that although there are some beneficial aspects to it, there are problems too. And, I agree with both sides and will take a firm stand in the middle of this issue. Any other questions?



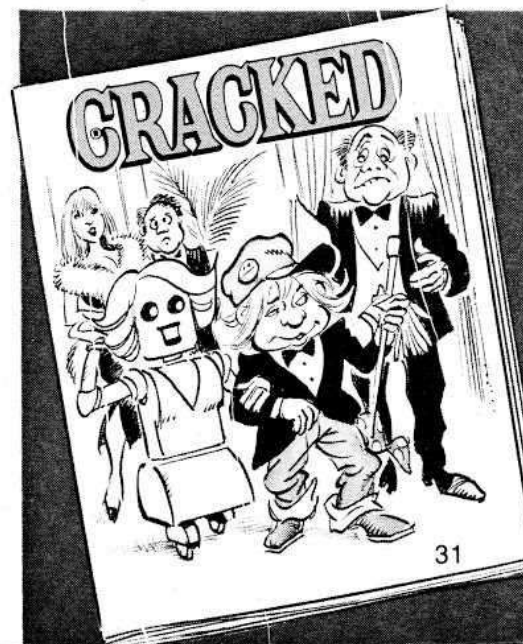
## FASHION

CRACKED believes hemlines will rise, then fall and that jeans will remain the everyday staple. However, we predict a new pants fashion fad sweeping the country briefly in 1982 — Balloonies.



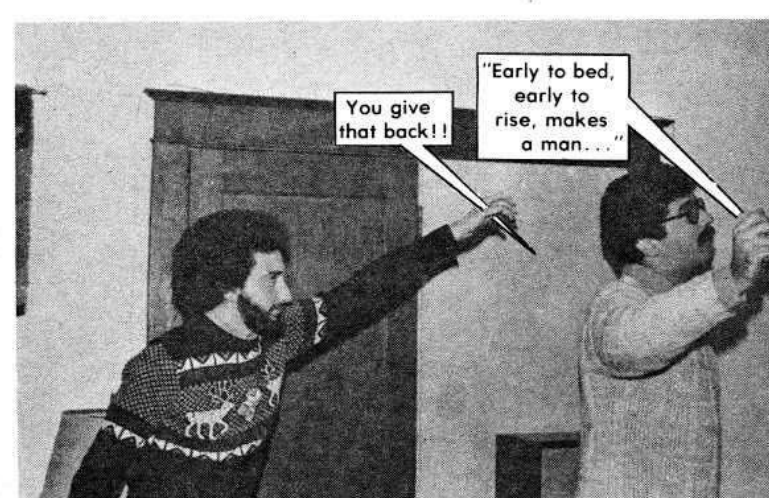
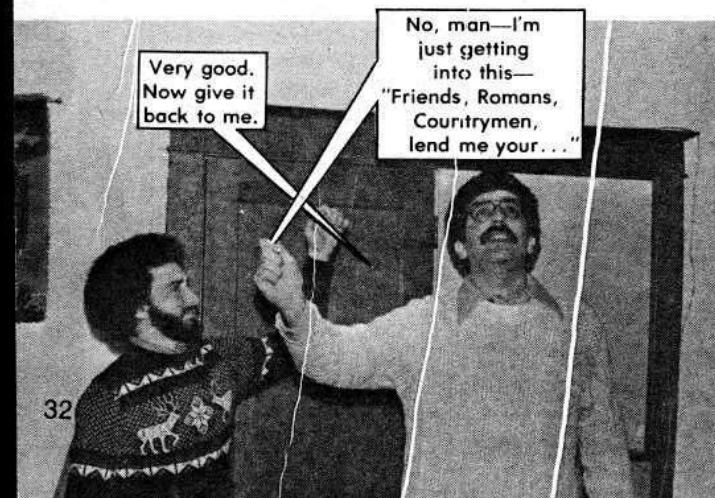
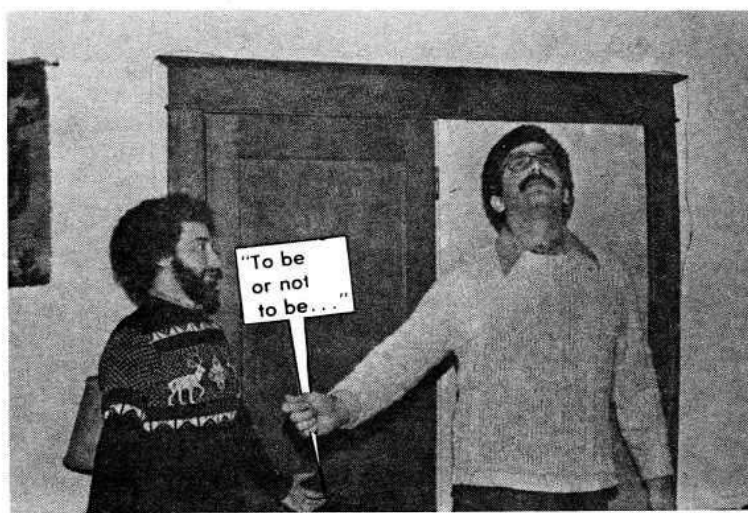
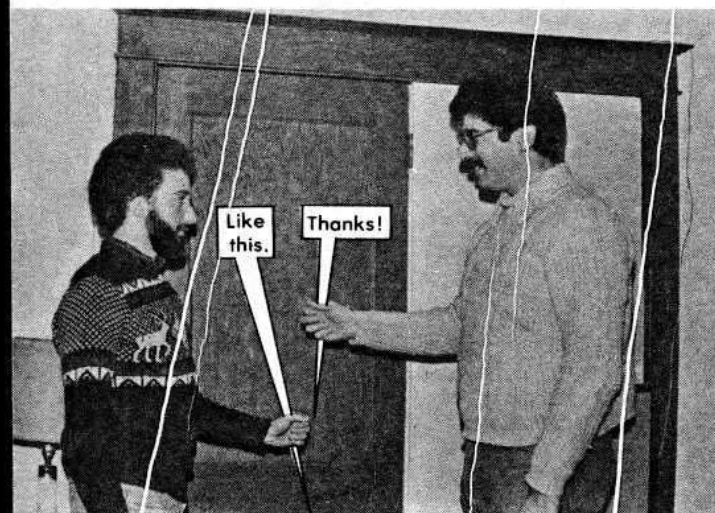
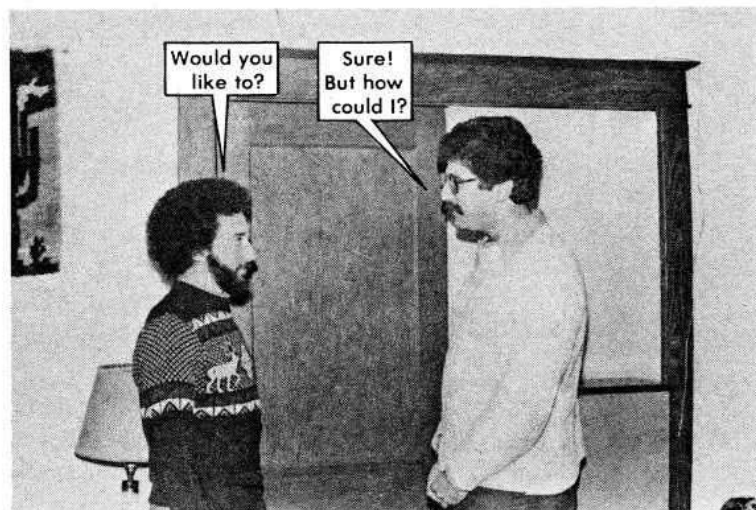
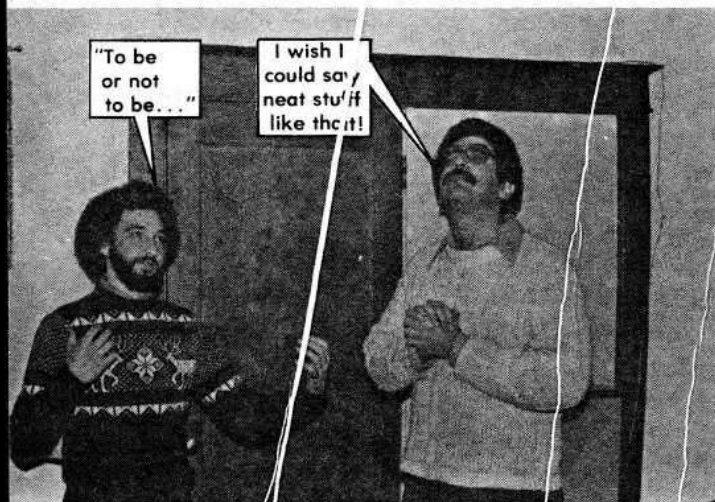
## MAGAZINES

Whether it be 1975, 1985 or 1995, CRACKED predicts that there'll be only one place to turn to for a good laugh.



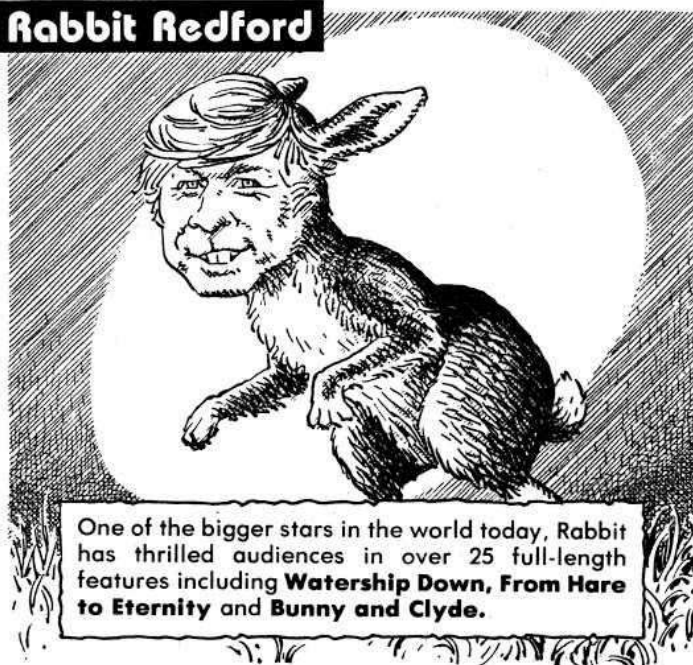


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# FAMOUS ANIMAL CELEBRITIES

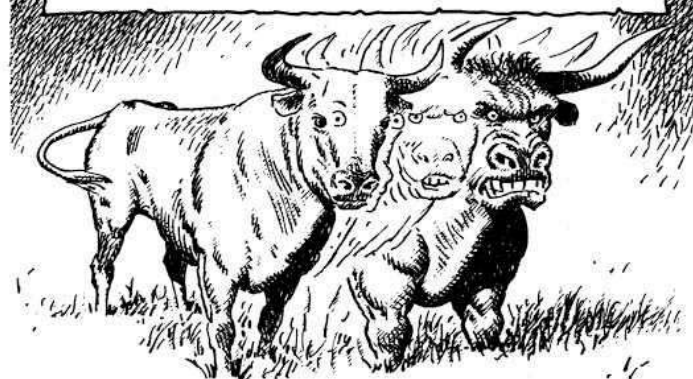
## Rabbit Redford



One of the bigger stars in the world today, Rabbit has thrilled audiences in over 25 full-length features including **Watership Down**, **From Hare to Eternity** and **Bunny and Clyde**.

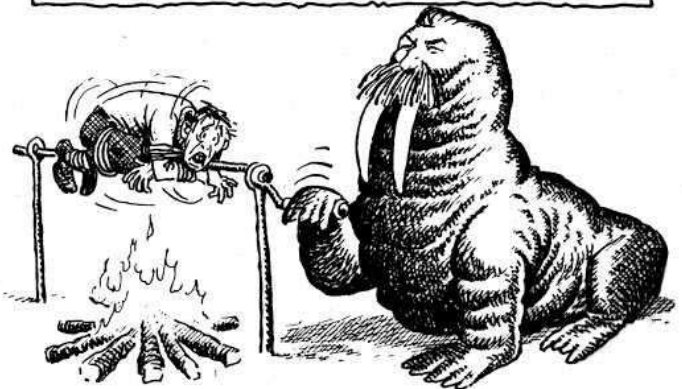
## Bull Bixby

Mexican at birth, Bull migrated to this country and tried to make it in local **throwing contests**. However, this career was interrupted when he was spotted by a T.V. director and cast as "**The Incredibull Hulk**". Bull is now also the spokesman for Toro lawn mowers.



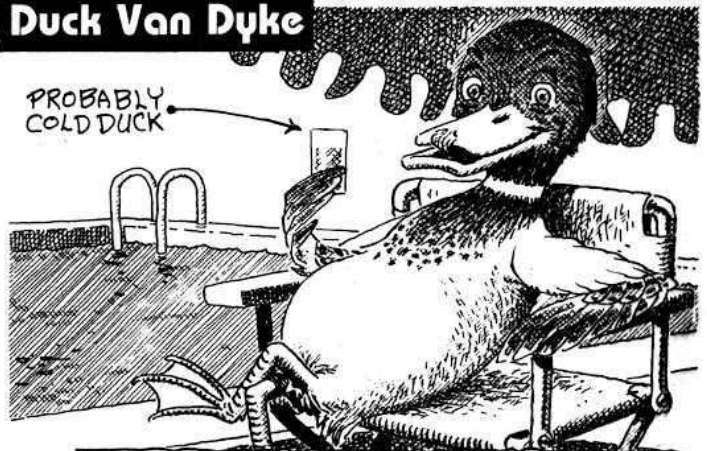
## Mike Walrus

Incisive. Probing. Down-right nosey! Those are just some of the adjectives people use to describe this top-flight news animal who really knows how to sink his teeth into a story. In the candid photo below, Mike is seen grilling a man suspected of theft.



## Duck Van Dyke

PROBABLY COLD DUCK



Although Mr. Van Dyke has made but one film (**What's Up Duck?**), he was billed as its star, and we might add, deservedly so. His next project? He, and three other mallards are filming "**Life is Just a Box of Quackers**".

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## Bird Reynolds



What can you say about an animal who, at the age of 2, winged his way to fame playing the male lead in **The Good-bye Gull**. From there, he went on to become the cover bird for all of the Hart's Mountain Parakeet Products. But, perhaps his biggest triumph in his still young career is the leading role in the new flick "**Robin and His Merry Wrens**".

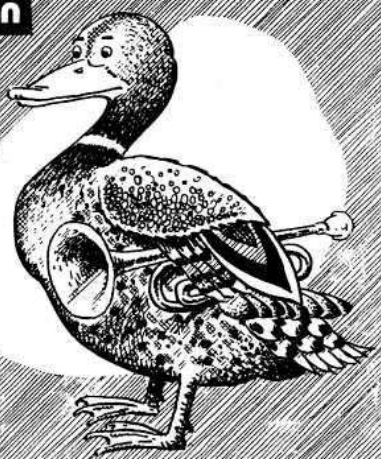
## Cluck Gable

Cluck is a classic animal actor. A legend. When he started out, his first screen test really **laid an egg**, but did he **chicken** out? No! Instead of staying **cooped-up** in his home, he went out, fought and ended up making such classic motion pictures as **The Henchurian Candidate**, **All the President's Hens** and **The Eggsorcist**.



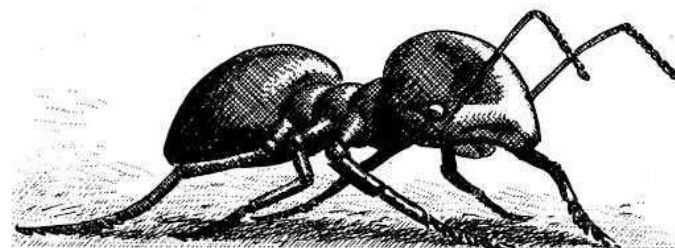
## Duck Severinon

It's rare to have one famous animal from a coop, but **two!** Duck is the brother of film star Duck Van Dyke (see other page); however, it's trumpets instead of celluloid for this brother. Even though he is a great musician, it's his wild outfits that get the attention. Audiences never know what color feathers Duck will be sporting next.

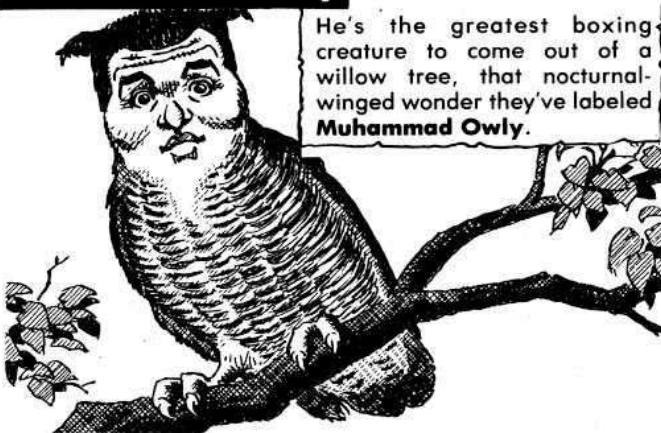


## Barbara Streis-ant

"Becoming a top female insect has been no picnic" Ms. Streis-ant once told a reporter. You find that once you've made it, there's always some up-and-comer trying to **exterminate** you from the top. But, Barbara needn't worry. Her sister Ant Bancroft has been on top for years.



## Muhammad Owly



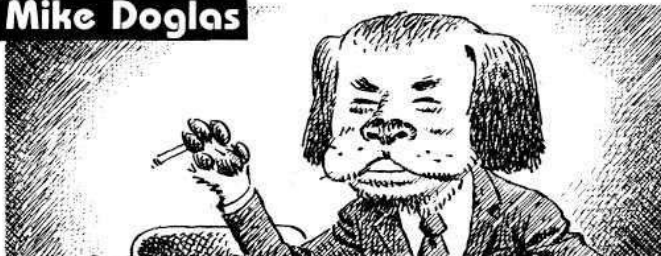
He's the greatest boxing creature to come out of a willow tree, that nocturnal-winged wonder they've labeled **Muhammad Owly**.

## Marlin Brando



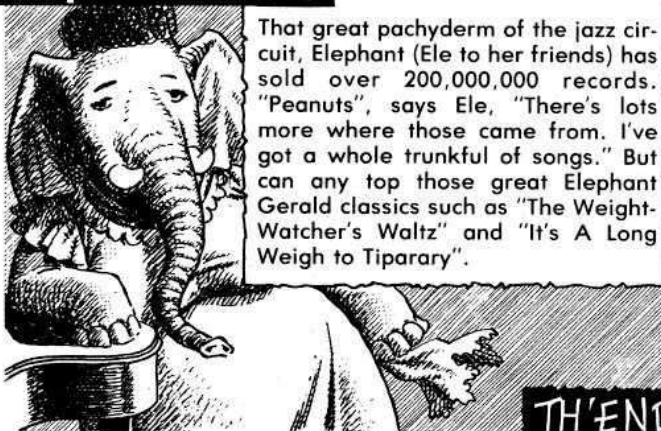
Few famous stars have emerged from the sea. In fact, only two come to mind immediately — Flipper Wilson and Marlin Brando. Marlin's stardom hatched into full bloom after making a cameo appearance as the main course in **Guess Who's Coming For Dinner**. Then, there was no stopping him as he went on to do a commercial for **Shake and Bake for Fish**. Critics applauded how evenly the coating stuck to him. But, his greatest triumph is yet to come when he plays a next-door neighbor to Bruce in "**The Codfather**".

## Mike Doglas



Mr. Doglas has been hosting a syndicated bark show for over 12 years. And, how does he get all those great guests, "I just **hound** them until they agree to come on". And, it's worked. This year alone, he's featured such greats as Lassie, Rin Tin Tin, Benji and Zsa Zsa Gabor.

## Elephant Gerald



That great pachyderm of the jazz circuit, Elephant (Ele to her friends) has sold over 200,000,000 records. "Peanuts", says Ele, "There's lots more where those came from. I've got a whole trunkful of songs." But can any top those great Elephant Gerald classics such as "The Weight-Watcher's Waltz" and "It's A Long Weigh to Tiparary".

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# COLLEGE FOR PANHANDLERS

Located in  
the heart of  
New York City's  
Bowery

**Information Guide:** Where lazy & talentless teenagers are given the opportunity to become lazy and talentless adults.

## NEW ECONOMICS COURSE:

How to increase your profits  
by faking blindness.

## LAW DEPARTMENT LECTURE:

Do you have the legal right  
to sue a policeman, if while  
you are sleeping, he pokes you  
with his billy club?

## NEW FASHION DESIGNING COURSE:

How to make a pair of  
socks using 2 rubberbands  
and 2 brown paper bags.

## NEW PSYCHOLOGY COURSE:

How to exploit the scene of an  
accident for spare change.

## NEW DORMITORY IMPROVEMENTS:

Every day a maid will change  
the newspapers you sleep on.

## NEW FUNDAMENTALS OF POSTAL SERVICE COURSE:

If a Panhandler lives on a subway  
train, how will the postman  
deliver his mail?

## MUSIC SERIES:

On January 14th, Roger "King of  
the Road" Miller will perform at the  
campus Cheap Wine & Cheese Pub.

## FILM SERIES:

On September 26th, our cinema  
series kicks off with "Gimme  
Shelter" (that classic film  
starring the Rolling Stones) in  
which Mick Jagger personally  
begs each one of the 52,000  
fans attending a "Stones"  
concert for a place to sleep.

## NEW PANHANDLING ETIQUETTE COURSE:

Choosing the proper hand to hold up  
your pants.

## FACULTY/STUDENT DEBATE:

Which method will more quickly break open the  
coin box of a pay telephone: tapping it repeatedly  
with a stiff cigar butt, or wearing it down with  
your beard stubble?



## EDITORIAL BY DEAN PHLEGMBUOYAN:

Would hiccuping be  
more socially acceptable,  
if instead of rising,  
a person's body moved  
downward with each hiccup?



# GENERAL INFORMATION: WHAT PANHANDLER COLLEGE WILL DO FOR YOU

## I. FLEXIBLE THINKING:

Your 4 years at Panhandler College will teach you  
how to overcome difficult problems by applying creative solutions.

You'll learn how to start your own low overhead business with just a rag and a bucket of water.

You'll learn how rainy weather can become a valuable part of your personal hygiene program.

You'll learn how to apply panhandling principles to other professions.



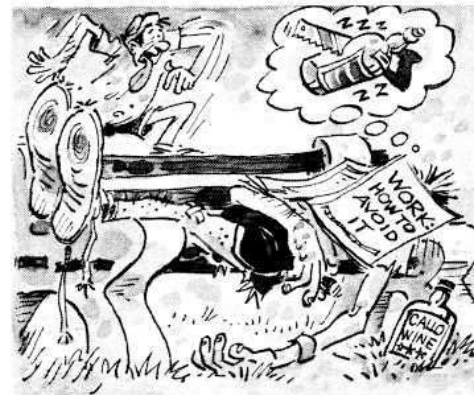
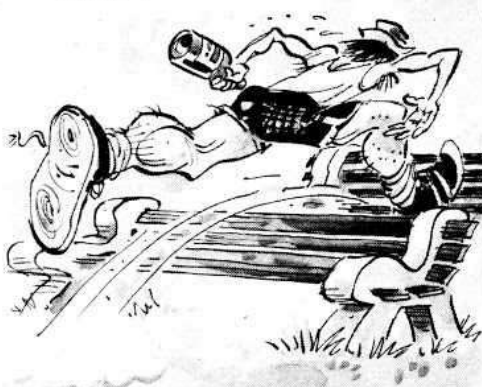
## II. CAMPUS FACILITIES:

After a hard day of classes, Panhandler College offers the student many places to relax.

Our school has a jogging track, with bench hurdles placed throughout the length of the running area. By jumping over these obstacles, students will develop strong legs.

... and if the student becomes tired while jogging, these bench hurdles provide him with a comfortable place to ...

Jogging works up a great appetite, which you can satisfy at our buffet style cafeteria.



## III. OUR CAMPUS DISCO:

No records are played, instead the Disc Jockey himself performs  
all of the music live, by honking car horns and smashing car windshields.

To the sound of this "Smashing & Beeping", the Panhandler College students have invented their own dance which they call "Bobbing and Weaving Through Traffic Jams".

After a night at the Disco, your lungs will be filled with fresh air as a result of sleeping in our dormitories, which are located on the ...

Or, if you prefer, at the end of the day, you can relax under the shade of a palm tree.



#### IV. ACADEMIC STUDIES:

The following courses are being offered this year.

##### Fundamentals of Math

A course designed to teach the student how to add, subtract, multiply, divide, and what else is new?

The entire semester will be spent trying to solve the following 3 part math problem:

**Part 1:** If John has 46 dimes in his left pocket, and 37 quarters in his right pocket, and he's carrying 2 pints of cheap whiskey in a brown paper bag — when he passes out, will he fall to his left side or to his right side?

**Part 2:** When John panhandles, he earns \$1.55 per hour. At this rate, how many more hours can John "Work the streets" before his pants will fall down?

**Part 3:** Use your answers from parts one and two to figure out how many more hours John can panhandle before he will be...



##### Hygiene & Grooming

This course will teach the student how to keep himself clean & presentable. Students will be taught how to wash their clothes in the restrooms of bus depots, how to dental floss their teeth with their fingernails, and how to get free haircuts at the airport by placing your scalp underneath...



##### Bad Habits: Choosing the right ones for you.

Because people offer more "Spare change" to panhandlers who look "Down & Out", we are offering this course which will teach the student how to cultivate that "Down & Out" appearance. Students will be taught how to choose cigarette butts with the lowest nicotine, how to select alcoholic beverages which the liver can tolerate for extended periods of time, and how to suppress the urge to...



##### Securing Food, Clothing and Shelter:

A course designed to teach the student how to secure the basic securities of life.

**Food:** Students will be taught how to remove all food scraps from a sanitation truck in 10 seconds or less, and they will be given a list of 200 places where they can get free...

**Clothing:** Students will be taught which Salvation Army locations offer the most fashionable suits, and students will be shown how to make a raincoat from a box of...

**Shelter:** Students will be shown how to sleep in a doorway, so they won't be disturbed in the morning by the sound of decent people going to...





## V. SHOPPING:

The many stores on campus will surely satisfy all of your consumer needs.

### Anti-Vitamin Pills



**Fact:** The older you look, the more they give!! So, make yourself look older today by taking Anti-Vitamin Pills. This product will age you by destroying every vitamin in your body. Before you know it, you'll have wrinkles (from loss of Vitamin E), shakes (from loss of Vitamin D), and little dark spots all over your body (from loss of B vitamins). Every Anti-Vitamin Pill ages you one year, so after you have taken 30 pills . . . Presto . . . you're an old man. And, remember the older you look, the more they give!!

Sold At Campus Anti-Health Food Store

### Knee and Shin Pads

For the dramatic panhandler who prefers to kneel while begging, we are now offering protective knee and shin pads.

On Sale At The  
Campus  
Football  
Supplies Store



### Extra-Strength Aspirin



Because it is well heated, and it offers plenty of room to stretch out, most panhandlers prefer to sleep in New York City subway trains. However, besides not being able to answer the phone, subway sleeping has one more disadvantage . . . you always wake up with a throbbing headache. But now, if you take just one Extra-Strength Aspirin before retiring, you can sleep on the noisy subway and still wake up feeling refreshed, without the slightest trace of a head throb. Pick up a bottle today!



If you're planning a long cross-country trip, then our Train Goggles are a must. At speeds of 90 miles per hour or more, flying dust and objects can ruin your eyesight, especially since you'll be riding on top of the train. So be smart, and buy a pair today!!

Sold At Campus Vision Center

### Fake Beard Stubble

For those times when you're in a hurry to raise some cash, but your appearance is too neat to "Work the Streets".

Campus Hair  
Products Store



And as a **parting** note, I just wanna thank you all for the gifts — the **set of Firestone radials** — the **weekend in Harrisberg** — the **Italian designer lobster cage** — and above all, for honoring me on **this, Billy Pluckett Day**.

Honoring **me!** Who would have thought such a thing **possible** 40 years ago. Certainly not me — I wasn't even **born** then. But, how did it begin anyway? Oh yeah, I remember. **CRACKED** decided they wanted to do a **satire** on one of those dumb **sports movies**, so **Joe Catalano** came up with my **life**, **John Severin** drew up my story. We'll call the whole thing

# The Billy Pluckett Story



Yeah, it's all coming back to me now. I was born in Philadelphia to a **poor pair of pickled peppers**. ...ah, **parents**. From the age of 6, I had loved football.

That whole first year, I had the ball, Dad taught me everything he knew about Football.

**Merry Christmas, Bill.**  
This is for you.

Wow! It's  
a...a...

**Football!** All we  
could **afford** was the  
**pigskin**.

But we promise —  
come next December  
and we'll have  
enough **saved** to get  
you some **air**.

Now you **putt** the  
ball like this.

"Unfortunately, it wasn't very much!"





As I grew up, I began playing with the people on my block, and everyone agreed I was the best one there.



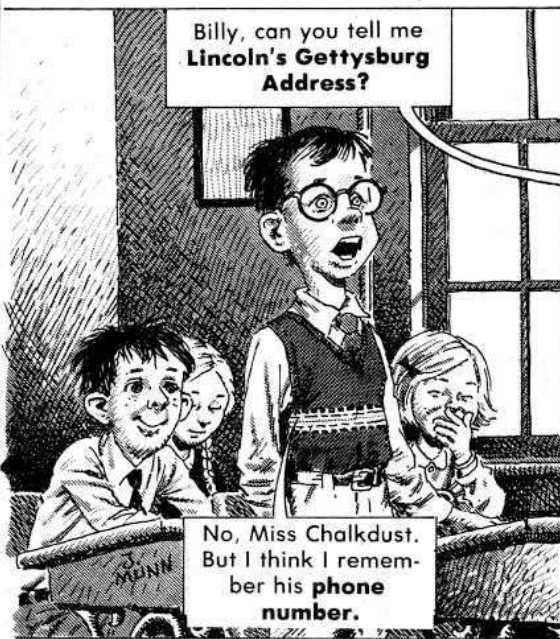
In school, I was an average student doing my best to be like the other kids.



I was fair in history.

Billy, can you tell me Lincoln's Gettysburg Address?

No, Miss Chalkdust. But I think I remember his phone number.



And average in math.

Excellent, Billy. You put the batteries into your calculator just right.



But it was on my high school football team where I excelled.

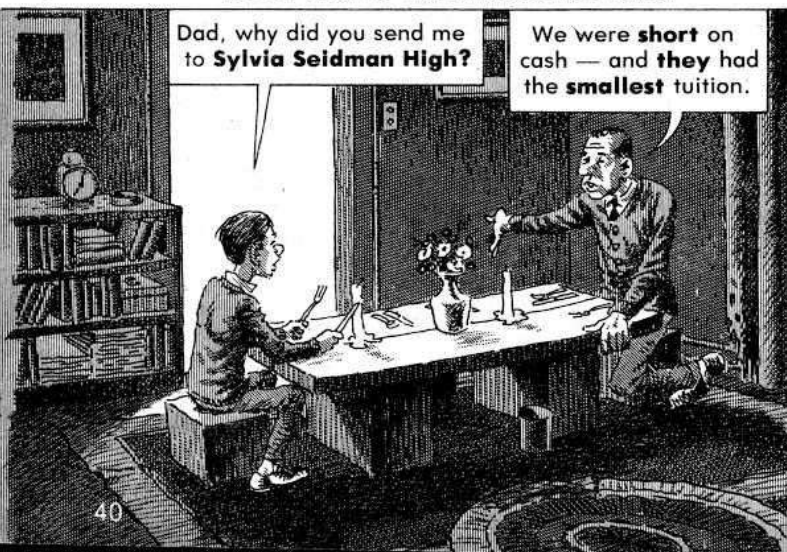
Son, you're the **best** quarterback we've ever had here at **Sylvia Seidman's School for Very Tall Midgets!**



However, somehow I knew this team wasn't preparing me for what I'd find in the outside world.

Dad, why did you send me to **Sylvia Seidman High?**

We were **short** on cash — and **they** had the **smallest** tuition.



But it's **not** helping me. I'm only **4'8"**, and yet I'm the **tallest** one in my school. How am I gonna make it out there in the real world of **football?**

They're **training** you right.

Dad, our **big play** is to run through the opposing team's **legs**.



You'll see. Everything will work out fine.

Now both of you **hush up** and **eat** your **confetti**. It was freshly **shredded** this morning.

CRACKED is the sad motorcyclist that just Moped around the house all day!

The last day of high school came and I graduated with **highest** honors — which wasn't hard considering my school and all — and it was on that day that I made an important decision.

Do you like it?

Wow! My very own **football uniform**.

Your father made it himself — out of old soda cans.

TINKLE!

And speaking of soda, I've got something to tell you. I've decided **not** to go to **college**.

You mean you wanna go into your father's **carpet tack** business?

No, mom. I'm **turning pro**.

RATTLE-RATTLE!

I've got an **audition** with the **Rams** tomorrow.

I suppose you know what you're doing, but if you ask me, you'd probably go a **lot farther** playing **ball** with people.

Pluckett, Billy.

It says here you **played** high school ball.

Here.

Yes, sir. I was **all-midget** two years in a row.

Well, let's see what you can do. Try a few **plays** with our **fourth string** squad.

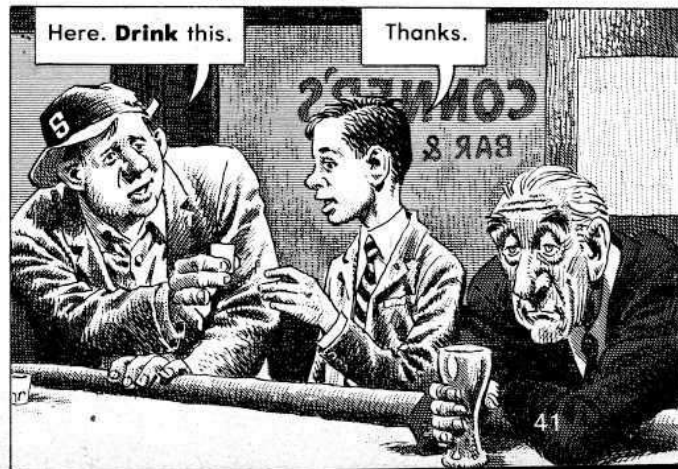
TINKLE!  
TINKLE!

And so I gave it my best shot, but I was quickly learning that my 4'8" and 97 lbs. were not the average height and weight for most pros.

I didn't make it and I failed to get on the Jets, Giants and Red Skins as well. In fact, after being turned down by every team in the league, I was about to give up when finally the coach of the San Francisco Salamanders decided to give me a **shot**.

Here. **Drink** this.

Thanks.





I guess I was an average player. I had played about 13 seconds the first half of the season, I owned a locker filled with pinups of mom and my high school mascot, and I had a good friend on the team who was dying of a rare ear disease.

I'm **sorry** to hear about your **illness**, **Brian**.

Don't be. It took me **three** years to **catch** it. How else am I gonna get someone to **make a movie** of my life.

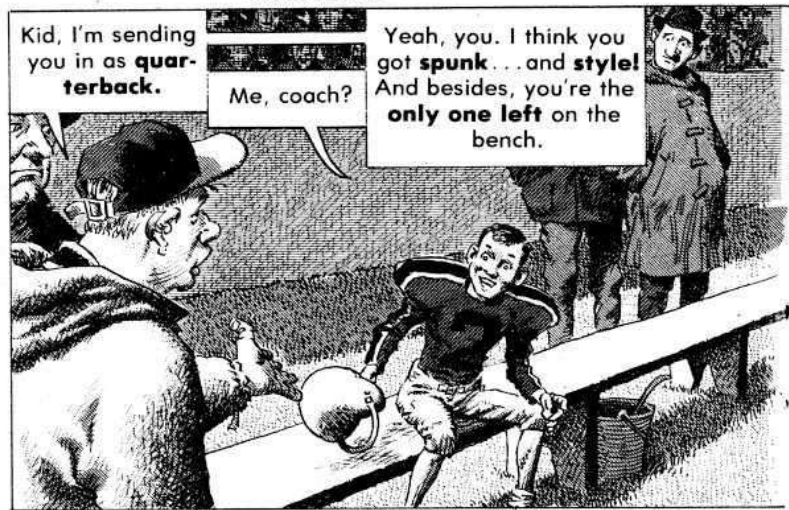


Finally, ten games into the season, after 23 members of our team had been injured, the coach decided to give me a break.

Kid, I'm sending you in as **quarterback**.

Me, coach?

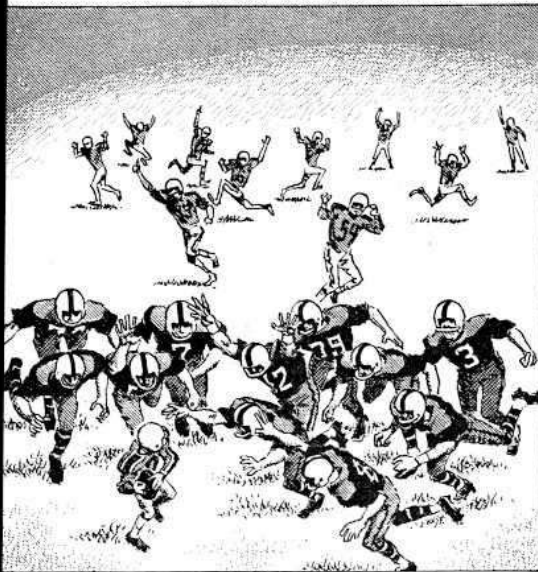
Yeah, you. I think you got **spunk**... and **style**! And besides, you're the **only one left** on the bench.



My first play didn't do too well — I sent everyone, including the **line-men**, out for a pass.

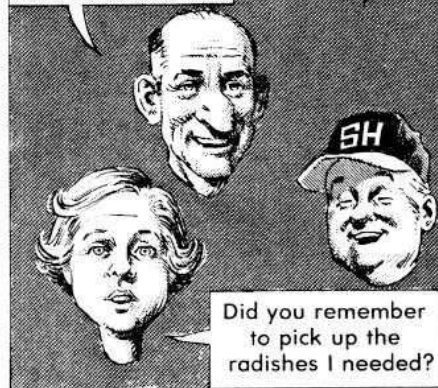
But then I started seeing images from my past.

And soon I began to click!

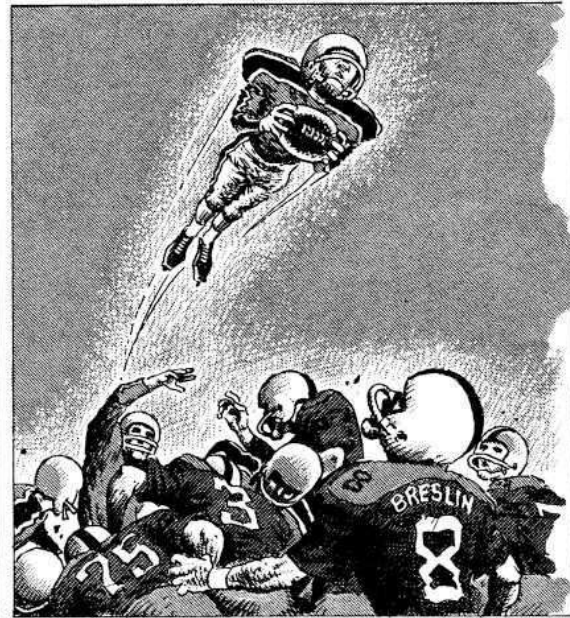


Billy, remember your experiences at **Sylvia Seidman High**? They'll pay off for you one day.

Use your assets, Bill. **Crawl** through their legs!



Did you remember to pick up the **radishes** I needed?

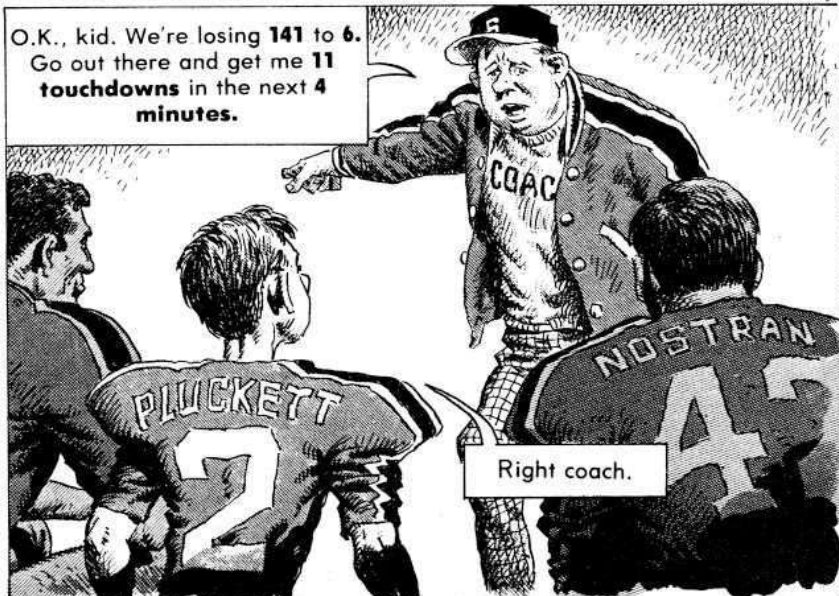


I was turning into a star!

Everything was going right until.

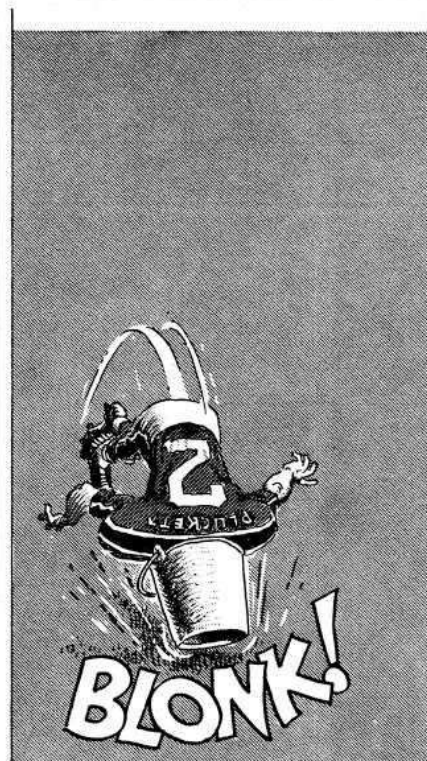
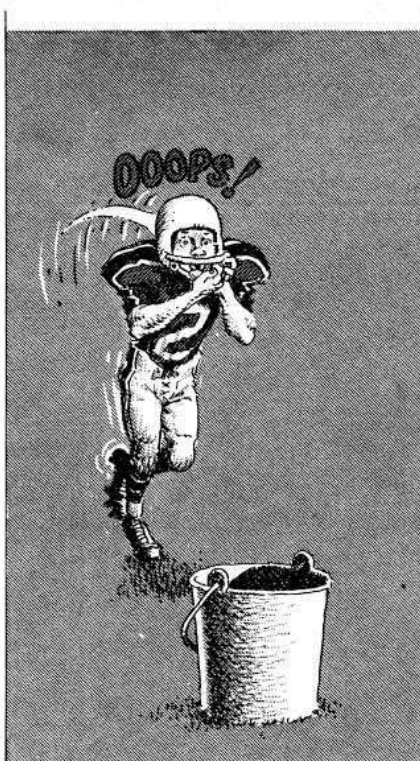
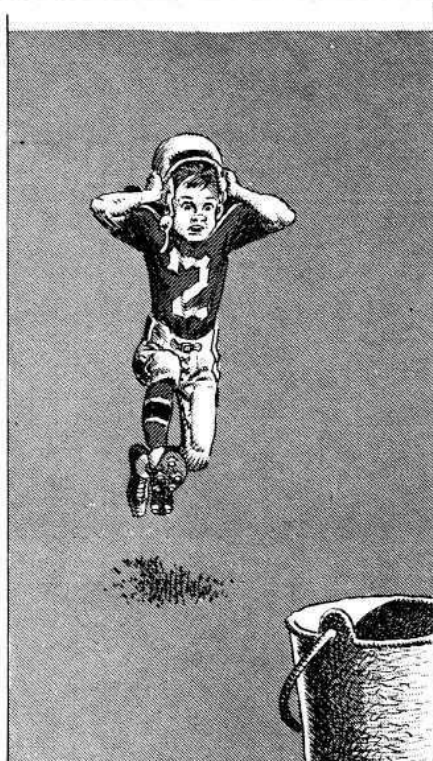


O.K., kid. We're losing **141** to **6**. Go out there and get me **11 touchdowns** in the next **4 minutes**.



Right coach.





Are you **all** right, kid?

Yeah, fine — except, coach ... is it **midnight** already?

My gosh! **Quick!** Rush Billy to the hospital! **Spare** no **expense** — take a **bus** if you have to.



All right, relax and see if you can tell me **what** I'm **holding up** before you.



A canary?

Mr. Pluckett, that's...

No, wait! ... a **rubber raft!** ... a **picture** of a 1933 Studebaker! ... Oh, doc! Why try to fake it. I can't see!

I thought so. When you walked in here, you started **talking** to a **box** of **gauze pads**.

Doc, give it to me **straight**.

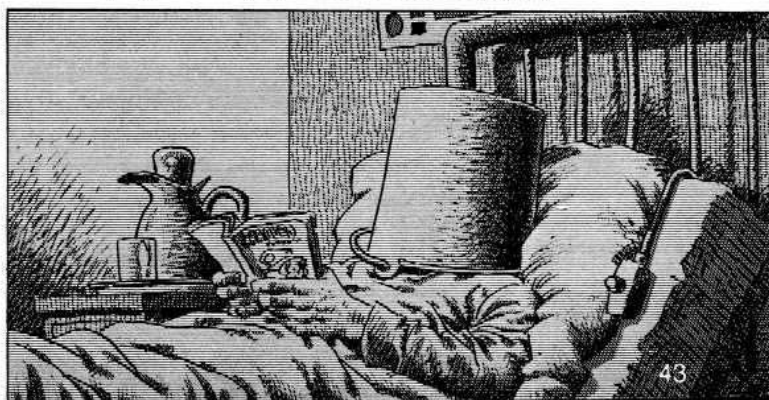
Well, I have some **good** and **bad** things to report.

I can guess the **bad thing** — I can't see! My whole world is total darkness. But what's the **good thing**?

IF YOU ARE BLIND PLEASE REPORT TO RM. 307

You won't have to wear your **glasses** anymore for **reading**!

Well, at first all I wanted to do was sit and be left alone — but then I started thinking about my friend **Brian** and how, even though he had that rare ear disease, he still played ball. It was at that point that I decided, I too, was going to play — and play better than I ever had.

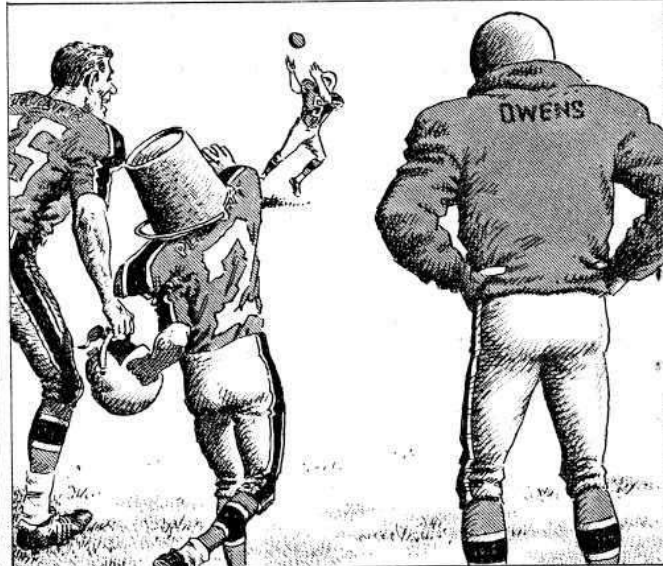




My first practice session didn't go too well.



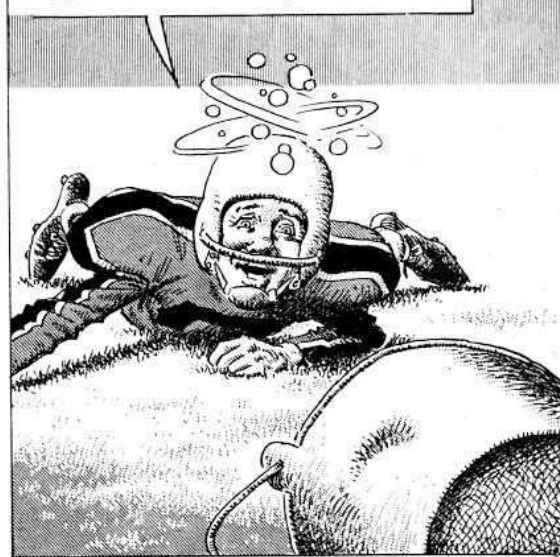
But, finally I learned how to pass, run, catch and even yodel despite my inability to see.



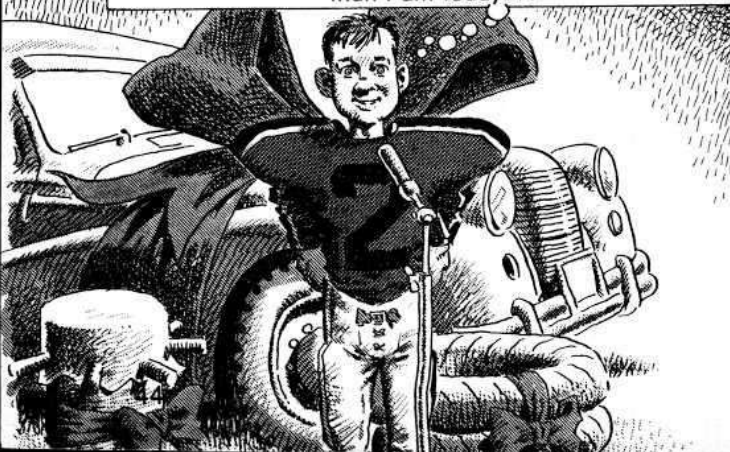
Billy Pluckett Day was planned, and a week before I was to be honored, a strange thing happened — I slipped on one of the coach's éclairs.



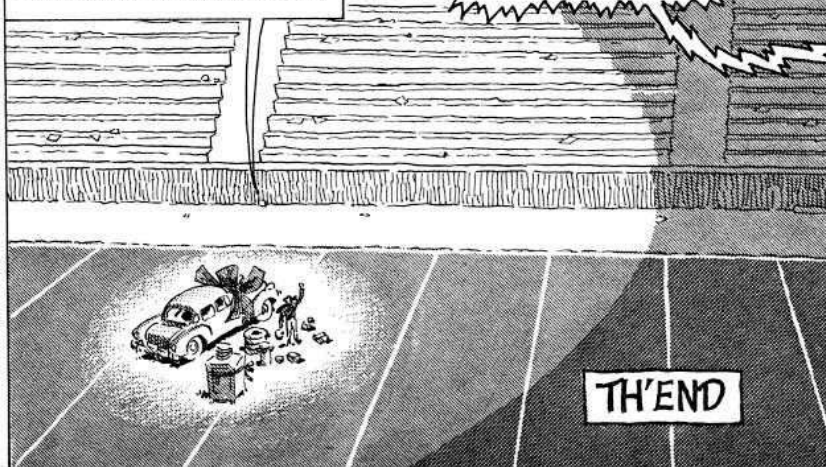
My gosh! A miracle! I can see! Now, not only can I hear "I Love Lucy" reruns, but I can see them again as well!



And here I stand today. A star who loves life and everything about it. And now I'm being honored with a new toaster and a pair of asbestos-lined hairdryers. I think only one thing could have made me happier than I am today...



...if they had held this tribute on the same day that a game had been scheduled at the stadium!



TH'END

NCC 1701

Greetings. **Nanny Dickering** here, and in case you're wondering exactly **what** the structure behind me is, well, it's the **home** of this issue's special guest. The reason it's shaped like the **Starship Enterprise** is because he's, without a doubt, **the #1 fan** of Gene Roddenberry's creation, as you'll soon discover when

# CRACKED INTERVIEWS THE TREKKER KING

Dear readers, I'd like you to meet Mr....

That's captain.

Sorry. **Captain William Scotty Sulu McNimoy.**

Welcome to my home, everyone. Come, let's go into the **livingroom** where we can be more comfortable.

Captain, I take it that William Scotty Sulu is **not** your **given name**.

No, **mom** was a bit **saner** than I and gave me a common favorite of hers from the 1940's.

Which was?

**Popeye Rabinowitz.**



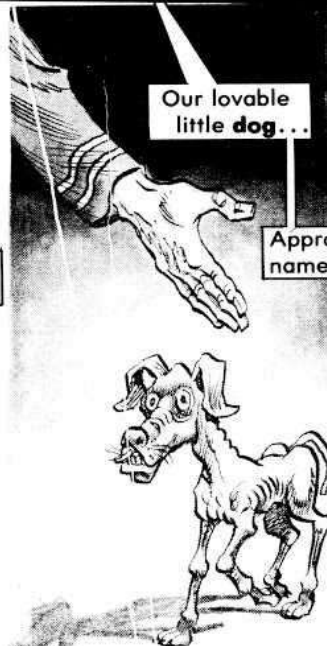


It was a name I... Hey! Nanny, here come my two **spinoffs**.

Spinoffs? Oh, you mean your **children**.

This is my daughter **Uhura** and my son, **Spock**.

And, who's that peeking around the **corner** there?



Our lovable little **dog**...

Appropriately named **Bones**.

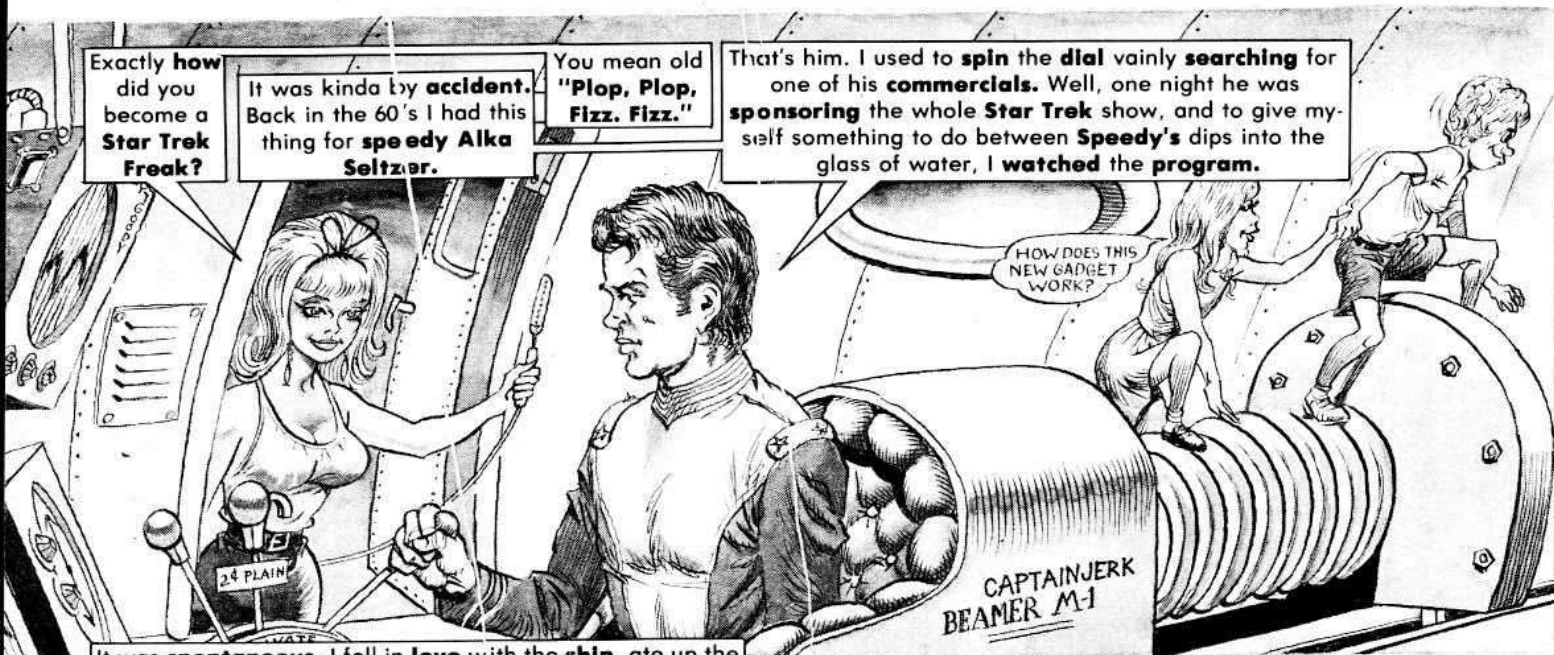


Dad, can we go **outside** and **play**?

Tut. Tut. You know what I **taught** you. What's the **correct** term?

Sorry. May we **beam** ourselves outside?

That's better. Go ahead.



Exactly **how** did you become a **Star Trek** **Freak**?

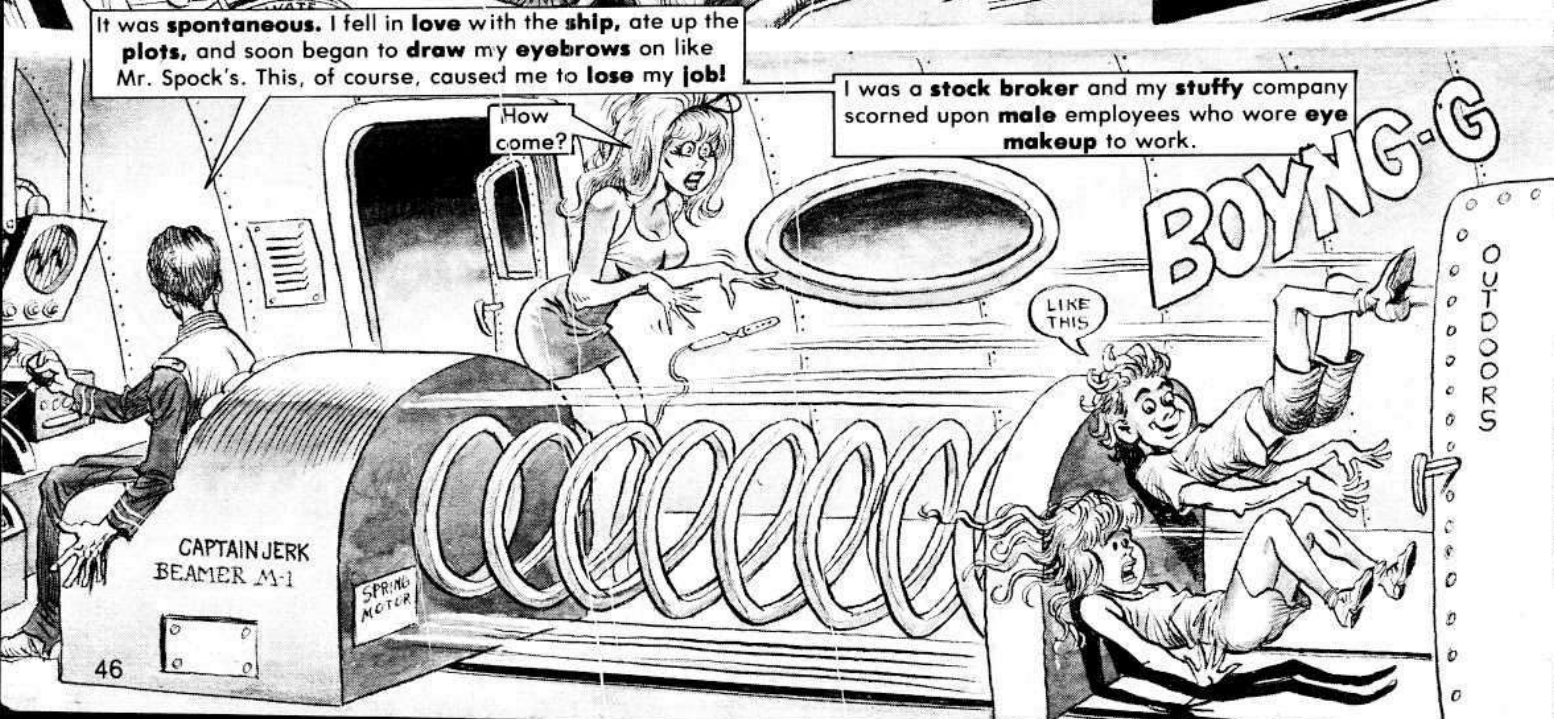
It was kinda by **accident**. Back in the 60's I had this thing for **speedy Alka Seltzer**.

You mean old "**Plop, Plop, Fizz, Fizz**."

That's him. I used to **spin** the **dial** vainly **searching** for one of his **commercials**. Well, one night he was **sponsoring** the whole **Star Trek** show, and to give myself something to do between **Speedy's** dips into the glass of water, I **watched** the **program**.

HOW DOES THIS NEW GADGET WORK?

CAPTAINJERK BEAMER M-1



It was **spontaneous**. I fell in **love** with the **ship**, ate up the **plots**, and soon began to **draw** my **eyebrows** on like Mr. **Spock's**. This, of course, caused me to **lose** my **job**!

How come?

I was a **stock broker** and my **stuffy** company scorned upon **male** employees who wore **eye** **makeup** to work.

LIKE THIS

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CAPTAINJERK BEAMER M-1

SPRING MOTOR

Since then, I understand, you've acquired quite a collection of **Star Trek** memorabilia.

Oh yes. For example, **this**.

Don't tell me. Those are **Mr. Spock's earmuffs!**

Only pair in existence.



And, here's one of the actual **tribbles** used in "The Trouble With Tribbles" episode.

It looks more like a **ball of cotton**.

I think it is. Back in those days, they had a very **low budget**.



Captain, how **factual** is the **show**?

To the **best** of my **knowledge**, very. And I should know.

You were a **science** major in school?

No, a **poetry** major, but as a kid, my father **bought** me this **Golden Book of Outer Space**, and I've read it over **22 times**.

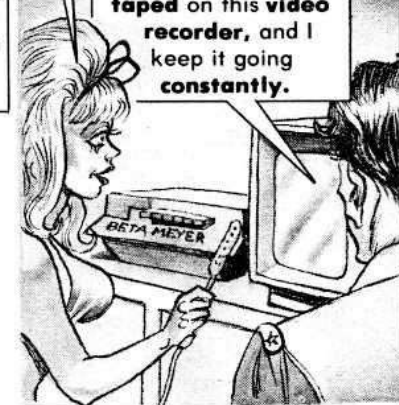


How **often** do you **watch** **Star Trek**?

You see it **3 hours !!!**

**Channel 6** shows it **3 times a day**.

Actually, I watch it **15 hours** daily. You see, I have all **78 episodes** **taped** on this **video recorder**, and I keep it going **constantly**.



That's a lot of **Star Trek**. How does your **wife** feel about it all?

Why don't you ask her yourself. **Ilial Ilia**, honey!



Hello, Mrs. McNimoy. I'm... **your hair!!**

I know. **Skin city**. After the movie came out, the captain made me **shave** my **head** and change my name to **Ilia**.



And you went along with it?

Well, it was **better** being named **Ilia** than what he **used** to call me.

What was that?

**Mr. Chekov**.



What's it like **living** with America's **#1 Trekker**?

**Exasperating**. Why I'd **leave** the **looney** in a **shot** if it weren't for one **irresistible** thing about him.

What's that?

He's **loaded**.



And with his **megabucks**, he does treat me fairly well. That is, if you can overlook his **weirdness**. For example, this past **Christmas** he gave me this **mink coat**.

It's lovely. I suppose...



If you don't mind the **U.S.S. Enterprise** soaring up your **spinal column**.



And for our **10th wedding anniversary**, he got me this **18 carat diamond ring**.

Can you **see** this folks. It's **huge**. And the **diamond's** in this **strange** configuration.

**Strangel?! You mean**, all stones aren't shaped like **Captain Kirk's foot**?







Have you **chatted** long enough with **Illa**, Nanny, because I have a **surprise** for you.

Sorry, but you're **not** **shaving** my head.

No. No. We're going to a **Star Trek** convention.



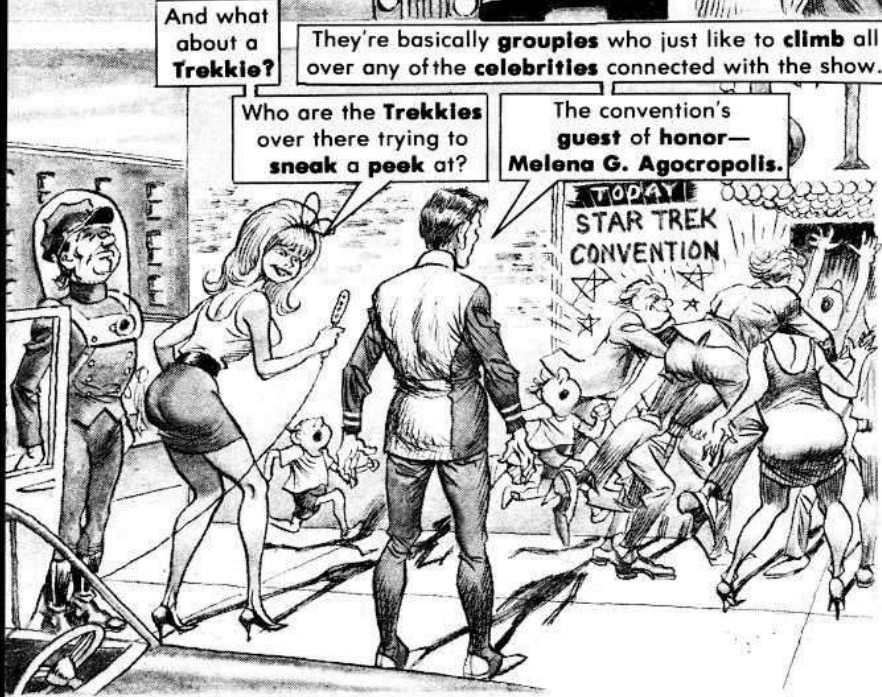
**Captain Decker**, take this **craft** up to **Warp 2**. We're in a hurry.

Sir, can you tell me the differences between a **Trekker** and a **Trekkle**?

Well, I'm a **Trekker**. We're serious **fans** who, when we meet someone from the show, we ask important **questions** of him.

Like?

Like what the **PH balance** of the **soil** on **Vulcan** is.



And what about a **Trekkie**?

They're basically **groupies** who just like to **climb** all over any of the **celebrities** connected with the show.

Who are the **Trekkies** over there trying to **sneak** a peek at?

The convention's **guest of honor**—**Melena G. Agocropolis**.

**ATOPAYE**  
**STAR TREK**  
**CONVENTION**



Who's she?

The **cleaning lady** who used to **dust off** all of the show's **sets**.

**I TOUCHED HER**  
**I TOUCHED HER**



Care to buy a **button**, lady?

You mean like "**Honk If You Love Nurse Chapel**" or "**Klingons Need Love Too**".

Those are at booth #108. I'm selling **real buttons**. **Replicas** of the kind used on the **back flap** of **Dr. McCoy's long johns**.

No thanks.



Captain, I hear loud **voices** coming from that **room** over there. Are those people **taking** a **Star Trek** oath of **allegiance** or something?

No, Nanny. We're just **running** episode #21, and the audience is **reciting** the dialog along with the **actors**.

Beam me up, Mr. Spock. There's an alien **sweatsock** attacking the ship.

**STAR TREK**

**AUDITORIUM**  
**LECTURES**  
**MOVIES**  
**AND ALL**  
**SUCH JUNK**







# SHUT-UPS



I'm getting sick of this, Edna. How come I've always gotta put out the dog?

Shut-up Stanley, and give me the hose. I'll put him out!

To be honest Mr. Barnum, I'm having a hard time supporting my family with this job.

Shut-up Baldini! It was your idea to join the circus!

Don't look now, but they're watching our every move.

Shut-up! It's your move already!

**IN THIS  
AREA.**

**EVEN BETTER TO LITTER  
AROUND THE CORNER.**



# THE SWORDSMAN

